

For 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday. Victoria and vicinity—Northernly and easterly winds, partly cloudy, with occasional rain or sleet.

Dominion—To Please One Woman.
Fantages—Little Miss Rebellon.
Columbia—Little Miss Rebellon.
Variety—Theatro.
Lombard—Theatro.
Royal—The Scoffer.

Commission Elected to Probe Economic Problem in Europe

Allied Supreme Council Decides Upon Thorough Investigation, With Particular Reference to Austria; Attempt to Foist Question on League Defeated.

Paris, Jan. 25.—After rejecting to-day a proposal to turn the Austrian financial problem over to the League of Nations, the Allied Supreme Council decided to appoint a Commission to make a thorough inquiry into the economic situation in Europe, with particular reference to Austria.

COMPLETE SURRENDER TO SOVIET SENTIMENT

Says London Times of Russo-British Agreement

London, Jan. 25.—The proposed Russo-British trade agreement is declared by The London Times to be a complete surrender to Soviet sentiment.

The Times says the document differs in letter but not in spirit from the earlier draft, and adds: "It will in no wise make the business community less hostile than it has persistently shown itself to be towards the Soviet authorities."

The Labor organ, The Daily Herald, says that "this agreement is a complete recognition of the Russian State debts and other obligations. The Times declares, is 'so vague that it affords no ground for any sort of satisfaction. Debts are not recognized as such, but simply as instituting claims to compensation.'

The Daily News thinks the document is framed in a fair and equitable spirit and that there is nothing in it to which serious objections can be taken either here or in Russia.

VIENNA GRIP OF INDUSTRIAL STRIFE

927 Strikes in Austrian Capital Last Year

Vienna, Jan. 25.—Vienna set what is probably a new record for strikes last year. There were 927 of them in this city, partial or complete, wild or organized.

The most recent of the strikes included printing plants, workers at the mine, cotton and woolen goods, the national theatres, railway employees, women tailors, dentists' assistants, city employees and the gold and silversmiths.

There are thousands of Viennese who transact most of their business in the coffee houses, though they have offices and staffs of clerks. Germans say that the Austrian's passion for sitting in the coffee houses all day accounts for the fact that he had before the war but a small share of the world's foreign trade.

MONCTON WILL HAVE KEEN CIVIC ELECTION

Moncton, N.B., Jan. 25.—That Moncton will have a keen civic election this year was evidenced yesterday when two full tickets were placed in nomination for the voting which takes place on Monday next.

HAS FOUR YEARS FOR REFLECTION

Youthful Bandit Sentenced by Magistrate Jay To-day Attempted Robbery

"You must be punished as a deterrent to others. You are sentenced to serve four years in imprisonment," said Magistrate Jay to Frank W. Sorge, when he appeared before the Court for sentence, after having pleaded guilty to holding up the night clerk of the Vernon Cafe on Friday morning last.

Incurring Life Sentence. "You are convicted on a charge of having committed a robbery while armed with an offensive weapon, and, under the Criminal Code, robbery carries a penalty up to fourteen years' imprisonment," said Magistrate Jay to the prisoner.

The general opinion was developed in the Council that it was useless to try to do anything for Austria apart from the solution of the economic problem of the neighboring countries with which Austria's future is bound to be closely connected.

It was reported that the Italian Government had sent a note to the Council regarding Smyrna, which would be considered in connection with the Greek and Turkish suggestions.

Proposals Rejected. An unsuccessful attempt was made to-day at the session of the Allied Supreme Council to turn the Austrian financial problem over to the League of Nations.

The Allied conferees when they met this morning took up at once the Austrian situation. They gave a hearing to the Allied financial experts who were asked to prepare a report after yesterday's discussion, in which wide differences of opinion developed among the delegates.

OPERATION HANDLED IN SCIENTIFIC WAY

Testimony of Surgeon in "Sponge in Body" Case

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Dr. Herbert Bruce, a well-known surgeon of this city, testified in court here to-day in the action brought by and for Isaac Waldon, of Port Perry, Ont., against Dr. Robert Archer, of Port Perry, for damages for alleged malpractice in connection with an operation upon Mrs. Waldon.

The first meeting of the new Commission will be held to-morrow afternoon in an able and capable way. He declared that if it were an alternative between having a live patient with a sponge in the patient's body or of taking out the sponge and having a dead patient, he would leave it in.

O'CONNOR SUPPORTS LABOR CANDIDATE IN WEST PETERBORO

Peterboro, Ont., Jan. 25.—A meeting was held here to-night in the interests of Thomas McMurray, the Labor candidate in the West Peterboro by-election. On the platform was W. F. O'Connor, K.C., who announced his intention of supporting the Labor candidate and opposing the other four candidates now in the field.

SYDNEY STEEL PLANT MAY HAVE TO CLOSE

Sydney, N. S., Jan. 25.—(Canadian Press)—An official of the Dominion Steel Corporation, interviewed by a local paper yesterday, expressed the view that unless new business was booked, the plant would suspend operations next week.

LIBERAL CAMPAIGN OPENS IN DELTA CONSTITUENCY

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—Proclaimed as the next member for Delta, ex-reeve A. D. Paterson last night opened his campaign in the Delta by-election with a crowded meeting in the Opera House at Langley Prairie.

LIBERAL LEADER IS NOW AT MONTREAL

Montreal, Jan. 25.—Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, leader of the Liberal Opposition, met a number of political friends at lunch at the Reform Club here yesterday.

SIR MARTIN HARVEY REJOINS HIS COMPANY

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Sir Martin Harvey, who has recovered from his recent illness, leaves Toronto to-day and will rejoin his company at Sudbury and from there on will continue to appear in person during the remainder of his tour.

Japan Would Consider Disarmament Proposals But Uchida Has Fears

Tokio, Jan. 25.—Restrictions of armaments would be considered by the Japanese Government, should it be proposed by another nation, but little hope is held out by Viscount Uchida, Foreign Minister, that there will be any immediate movement toward disarmament.

"Some practical men abroad, however," he declared, "do not approve of immediate disarmament, although they agree in principle. The existing German situation is one factor which prevents a complete agreement on the subject."

HON. HUGH GUTHRIE APPOINTED ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—(Canadian Press)—Hon. Hugh Guthrie is acting as Secretary of State, pending the appointment of a new Minister to fill the vacancy created by the death of Right Hon. A. L. Sifton.

UNIQUE IN HISTORY OF ANY LEGISLATURE

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Unique in the history of Legislatures, is the fifteenth Legislature of Ontario, which opened its second session today to support the Government in power, namely, the United Farmer-Labor Government of the Hon. F. C. Doherty.

OPEN MEETINGS OF POLICE COMMISSION

Meetings of the City Police Commission will henceforth be open to the press. Mayor Porter, chairman of the Commission, announced this morning.

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The Police Commission is carrying on public business and the public has a right to know about it, unless, of course, the matters under consideration are purely personal. The Mayor declared when questioned to-day.

OIL DEVELOPMENT IS UNDER CONSIDERATION

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—(Canadian Press)—Following suspension of regulations governing petroleum and natural gas in the northern territories, the Government is to give close consideration to the whole situation in regard to oil fields of the Mackenzie.

SPECULATION OVER FIRMS ENTERING NEW STEEL CORPORATION

Montreal, Jan. 25.—R. M. Wolvin, president of the Dominion Steel Corporation, returned to Montreal this morning after his trip to London with D. A. MacGillivray, president of the Nova Scotia Coal & Iron Company, in connection with the revision of the British Empire Steel Corporation scheme.

AUSTRALIAN PAPER CRITICIZES SELECTION OF WINSTON CHURCHILL

London, Jan. 25.—(Canadian Associated Press)—The Telegraph's Sydney, Australia, correspondent sends his paper a criticism published in the Sydney Daily Telegraph regarding the selection of Winston Churchill as premier.

BARROW SACRIFICED HEALTH TO SAVE FARMS FROM FLOOD

The condition of the Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, who is ill with a series of internal hemorrhages, was slightly improved to-day, but no effort was made yet to move him to the hospital for an X-ray examination.

PLANS TO VISIT CANADA IN SPRING; HON. J. W. LOWTHER

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SPEAKER OF BRITISH COMMONS TO CANADA

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TIPPERARY AMBUSH CUNNINGLY STAGED

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DAYLIGHT SAVING MUST BE OBEYED

Legislation which will enable the civic authorities to force business establishments and the public generally to recognize daylight saving time here in the Summer is embodied in the city's 1921 Private Bill.

The City Council last night passed a clause which has been inserted in the Bill gives the City Council power to fix the "period in each year in which the time in the city of Victoria shall be seven hours behind Greenwich time and for imposing fines or penalties for any infractions or breach of any such bylaws recoverable in the manner provided by the Summary Convictions Act."

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ASK INVESTIGATION OF COAL PRICES

Vancouver Delegation Waits on Premier Oliver

Vancouver, B.C., Jan. 25.—Donald Downie, F. W. Welsh, Jas. Conley and J. C. Kemp, as a committee representative of Vancouver citizens, waited on Premier Oliver yesterday, in the Court House, and submitted to him a resolution asking that a Commission be appointed by the Provincial Government to inquire into the present price of coal, which they alleged was exorbitant.

"We are placing this demand of the citizens of Vancouver before you, and hope it will receive your most earnest consideration," says the resolution. Hon. John Oliver admitted that this was not the first time that the subject had engrossed his attention. The price of coal certainly was too high, but it was a question as to what jurisdiction the Provincial Government had in regulating the trade.

"What would you suggest as a remedy?" asked the Premier.

"That the Government should appropriate about \$2,000,000 and go into the coal business themselves," was the ready response.

To the Premier this proposal was amusing. He laughed heartily, and warned them that it would probably

be found, under Government ownership, that coal would cost them just as much, if not more. A special sitting of the Board of Railway Commissioners may be held in this city with a view to investigating the price of coal. The Board purposes holding a regular sitting here in April, but if "parties interested" wish a special sitting, the same can be arranged for by communication with Ottawa.

This is the gist of a communication received by H. H. Stevens from F. C. T. O'Hara, Deputy Minister of the Department of Trades and Commerce, who was in receipt of a communication from Mr. Stevens and who speaks for the Commission.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAN IS AGAIN MOOTED IN SAANICH

When considering preliminary estimates last night, Chairman Holloway, of the Saanich School Board, suggested the possibility of operating a first-year High School in Saanich, possibly at the North Dairy School, where two spare rooms are available.

Estimates of \$9,000 for the year's fees were considered too low in view of the growing school population, and Chairman Holloway maintained that approximately \$2,000 would be saved by opening such first-year classes. Trustee Mrs. Humphries said that looking a few years hence, it will prove to have been good business to establish a High School in Saanich as a nucleus of the larger institution needed when the city building is filled with city pupils. The Board was informed that no saving would be possible, although efficiency might be promoted.

OVERCROWDING GIVES PROBLEM TO NEW BOARD

Saanich School Board Discusses Questions of Buildings

The need of an inspector for the Saanich schools and the urgency of more school accommodation were both subjects of debate by the new Saanich School Board at its first session, held last night at Royal Oak.

Although the two phases of school needs were the first and last subjects of debate, they were closely allied by reason of dependence on the school attendance, which was stated as 1,706 at the close of last year, an increase of over two hundred pupils in the course of the twelve months, and it was anticipated that there would be a similar increase in the demands upon the Board during the coming year.

The need of an official to give his time to supervision of the schools and aiding and supporting the teaching staff came up, when the question of appointing a secretary was considered.

Secretary-Superintendent Mooted. It was suggested by Trustee Thorne that an official combining the offices of secretary and inspector would be a good way to obtain a greater efficiency.

Chairman Holloway demurred, claiming the inspection of the schools was a question for the attention of the Provincial Department of Education, and it was pointed out that, while the Board could appoint a schools inspector, they would afterwards be unable to discharge him should the Board so desire.

Want More Inspections. As a substitute for the employment of a municipal inspector, the Board decided to ask the Department of Education to have more frequent inspections made of the Saanich schools, and to ask that Inspector W. H. M. May meet the Board as often as he finds practicable, preferably monthly, in place of the present half-yearly reports on the schools' efficiency.

The Board then unanimously re-

appointed Secretary Cowper for the present year, after Chairman Holloway had spoken high terms of his ability and attention to the interests of the schools of Saanich.

Accommodation Crisis. The question of what should be done to keep up with the growing school population was given considerable attention for long after midnight, as one of the most important items to be discussed when the estimates are being prepared next week.

The Board discovered that at Cloverdale one class is being held in a basement; at Tillicum a class is studying in a hallway, condemned by the "heating" wards on "lighting" grounds even before converted; at Tomlie two classes are being held in a building condemned more than nine years ago; Royal Oak and Strawberry Vale are both overcrowded, beyond any contemplated capacity, and indications are that the recently enlarged McKenzie Avenue School will be overflowing before many months have passed.

Pandemic Plan. It was suggested that the construction of an eight-roomed two story school at Parkdale at a cost of about \$40,000 would be the only solution of the problem, as it would be filled almost at once by drawing two rooms from Tillicum, two rooms from Tomlie, which would relieve Cloverdale automatically, would defer trouble from McKenzie Avenue School, and would be a permanent solution for a district problem already impending.

Trustee Mrs. Humphries pointed out that such a school would obviate the "outside wards" or "later" converting Tillicum into an eight-room school, and the idea was received as one worth careful study, the site proposed being almost strategic in the manner in which it would relieve a wide circle of other schools.

A Quid Pro Quo. Trustee Thorne remarked: "If the inside wards get that, I would like to see the outside wards get a consolidated ten-room school at the north end of Elk Lake. It would be full in two years." Chairman Holloway remarked: "These schemes would cost \$100,000, and would mean a by-law," and stated that he believed that, in three years, there will be no school in Saanich less than three rooms.

Balks at Transportation. Trustee Thorne maintained it was better to build a road now than "this everlasting patching and adding," whereupon Chairman Holloway said the transportation charges involved in "consolidated schools were prohibitive.

Trustee Thorne retorted: "They can do it in Manitoba, and we can do it here," and was warmly supported by Mrs. Humphries, who pointed out that climate and road conditions in Saanich far surpass any prairie districts.

The discussion closed until next week, when Chairman Holloway remarked: "Well, Mr. Thorne, you'll have to persuade the taxpayers to put up the money, and I think you will have a pretty hard time."

WILL MEET IN VANCOUVER FOR ANNUAL SESSION

The annual meeting of the British Columbia Division of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, will be held in Vancouver on February 9 to 12 next.

The programme that has been arranged possesses some new features. Instead of the customary presentation of highly technical papers, there will be a series of informal discussions on matters of timely interest. The subjects selected for discussion include: "Metallurgical Problems of British Columbia," "Fuel Supplies and Substitutes in B. C.," "Geology in Relation to Mining in British Columbia," and "The Relation of the C. I. M. M. to Government." In addition there will be two popular lectures on the theme of "Town Planning With Special Reference to Mining Camps," by Mr. T. B. Adams, of the Commission of Enquiry, and the other, by Col. J. Leckie, C.B., D.S.O., on the campaign in Northern Russia. "Jack" Leckie, by the way, is a charter member of the Institute, and is most popular with the members from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

The social side of the meeting is also receiving due attention. The Vancouver branch of the Division will give a lunch to visiting members and guests on February 9. On the following day the members will be the guests of the Vancouver Board of Trade at luncheon. On the evening of February 10, there will be a smokette at which a playlet will be presented by the Dramatic Club of the University of B. C.; and on the evening of the 11th, the annual dinner will be held, at which the chief speaker will be the Minister of Mines. The fourth day of the meeting will be occupied by excursions to engineering works in the vicinity of Vancouver. The meetings of the Institute, if many be mentioned, are open to the public, and it is hoped that all interested in our great basic industry, whether members or not, will avail themselves of the opportunity of being present.

VALUES SCHOOL GARDENS

J. W. Gibson Addresses Parent-Teachers on Importance in Education.

At a meeting of the Margaret Jenkin's Parent-Teachers' association last night, at which there was a large attendance, J. W. Gibson spoke on the subject, "The School Grounds as a Factor in Education." Mr. Gibson used illustrations to show the wonderful changes that had been effected in some of the school grounds and from barren wastes they had been changed into beautiful and productive garden plots. Gardens developed the love of nature in the child mind and promised a desire for the clean and beautiful in all things, said the speaker.

Friendly rivalry had sprung up among the pupils of the various schools as a result of the garden scheme, and under the direction of the teachers the pupils spent many an hour in real healthy and beneficial occupation which otherwise they would not enjoy were it not for the gardens. Mr. Gibson explained that the Department of Education with which he is connected, was always willing to help schools along these lines.

During the business session of the Association it was decided to affiliate with the Central Parent-Teachers' organization.

MANUAL TRAINING COMES TO FORE AT ROYAL OAK

Salary Discussion by School Board Provides Opportunity For Sally by Opponents

Chairman Holloway brought before the Saanich School Board last night a number of cases where the schedule of salaries prepared by the Teachers' Federation was working a hardship.

He pointed out that previous Boards had accepted the schedule submitted by the teachers, and cited cases where, by its operation, principals in charge of schools were being paid less than Saanich principals in the same schools. "This is a matter we must rectify," he said, and coupled with his citations the fact that the manual training produced by pupils with a far higher salary, had only required a one-year course to qualify, while male teachers put in many years of study before appointment.

Manual Training Value. Chairman Holloway maintained that, as no replies had been received to the invitation the Board recently issued to Saanich parents to submit examples of home-made work, it was reasonable to suppose there was none existing, hence the courses in manual training were useless.

Trustee Mrs. Humphries disagreed, arguing the main results from manual training courses were not attained in the hands of the pupils, but rather in the stimulation given other studies.

Trustee Thorne considered the question of manual training one for submission to the voters, and followed this by inquiring, "Are we dealing with salaries or manual training?" The discussion lapsed after it had been remarked that Inspector May had declared that manual training, as taught at present, by half-day bi-weekly lessons, was quite useless and of no instructional value.

The WEATHER Daily British Columbia by the Victoria Meteorological Department

Victoria, Jan. 25.—5 a. m.—The barometer is high over this Province and low southward, with rain in California. The weather is moderately cold in Central B. C. and Alberta, and zero temperatures prevail in Manitoba.

Temperature. Max. Min. Portland, Ore. . . . . 32 28 Seattle . . . . . 28 24 San Francisco . . . . . 46 42 Cranbrook . . . . . 24 20 Kaslo . . . . . 22 18 Vancouver . . . . . 20 16 Edmonton . . . . . 16 12 Qu'Appelle . . . . . 12 8 Winnipeg . . . . . 8 4 Toronto . . . . . 21 17 Ottawa . . . . . 10 6 Montreal . . . . . 10 6 St. John . . . . . 20 16 Halifax . . . . . 26 20

Victoria—Barometer, 30.13; temperature, maximum yesterday, 49; minimum, 29; wind, 12 miles N. E.; rain, trace; weather, fair.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, maximum yesterday, 47; minimum, 28; wind, 12 miles E.; rain, .20; weather, fair.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, maximum yesterday, 32; minimum, 20; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.06; temperature, maximum yesterday, 40; minimum, 20; wind, calm; snow, 4; weather, cloudy.

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PAVLOVA'S ART WINS OVATION

Incomparable Danseuse and Gifted Company in Brilliant Programme Last Night

The secret of perennial youth seems to have been discovered by Anna Pavlova, for last night she danced her way into the hearts of a big audience at the Royal Victoria Theatre with all the inimitable charm and grace with which she took the Old World by storm a decade ago. The pasting years have served but to mellow her art and she still remains Anna the Incomparable.

Exquisite beyond description, her dancing is the quintessence of art—the living expression of the poetry of motion. Light as thistle-down on her toes, with the perfect poise of the butterfly, she dances with sublime grace and effortless ease.

With such a programme as was presented last evening it is difficult to choose this or that as being the best. Pavlova as the leading sprite in the Snowflake ballet was perfection—until superseded by the Pavlova of the Gavotte—an exquisite cameo of the Incredible period, coquettishly demure and intriguing, the impression only to be effaced again by Pavlova, the Russian, in which she was the personification of the Russian art of dancing, expressing in her lithe movements the temperamental fire of the Slavic races.

Supporting her in the Ballet Russe last night was a company whose art was of a standard worthy of the stellar artist. Faultless execution and dainty grace marked each number, both in the ballets and in the divertissements. In Alexander Volinine Pavlova received excellent support. A past master in the art of dancing, his graceful evolutions in the Pas de Deux and Variations with Pavlova were the complement to a perfect duet, while his pas seul in the Snowflake Ballet was the essence of artistry and lithe grace.

In the Egyptian Ballet with which the programme opened Marie Olenyeva made instant appeal and was warmly welcomed on her second appearance in the bizarre Anitra's Dance from the Peer Gynt Suite. Like a touch of comedy was the Holland dance by Mlle. Courtney and M. Valinsky, in which the many-peticoated vrouvrou repulsed the attentions of mynheer; while the Pastoral by Mlle. Stuart and M. Stowitts was a dainty, poetic fragment.

Rarely has the Royal Victoria Theatre witnessed such enthusiasm as was displayed by last night's audience, Pavlova receiving an ovation after each appearance, while her fellow-artists shared in the spontaneous applause. Nor was the Russian Symphony Orchestra forgotten, unstinted tribute being paid to this aggregation of gifted musicians whose playing contributed in large measure to the finished perfection of the performance.

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**HOTTER THAN EAST ELGIN.**

All the principal political groups of Canada are represented in the by-election campaign which is now raging furiously in West Peterboro. Candidates for the National Liberal-Conservatives (the Government party), the old-line Conservatives, Liberals, United Farmers and Labor were nominated yesterday and it is their intention to make the contest very much warmer than that of East Elgin where a Farmer champion Premier Meighen and Dominion Ministers, Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King and the Hon. T. A. Crerar have hastened to the assistance of their respective standard-bearers, and before the fight is over it may be interesting, if somewhat amusing, to compare the speeches the leaders are making to the electors of Peterboro with their utterances on their western tours, especially in respect of the tariff. J. H. Burnham, the former member for the riding, is running as an independent Conservative or, in other words, as a straight-line Tory. He was elected in 1911 as a follower of Sir Robert Borden and again in 1917 as a supporter of the Union Government. After the war ended, however, he became an independent in the House, contending that he had been returned by West Peterboro to support the Union Government merely for the period of the war and that, as a matter of fact, the Government party should have dissolved into its original fragments. The situation is baffling to the election prophets on account of the number of candidates and the variety of the issues involved. Burnham, and Denne, the Government candidate, undoubtedly will split what was once the Conservative vote of the district, and this would have insured the return of Gordon, the Liberal candidate, were it not for the candidature of representatives of the United Farmer and Labor parties. It is, therefore, anybody's battle with the Government standing to lose the most if it should fail to gain the seat, since a defeat in West Peterboro following the reverse in East Elgin would be very damaging to its prestige in Ontario.

**OIL IN THE NORTH.**

In view of the oil shortage throughout the world, and more particularly by reason of the continued agitation in the United States in connection with the export of this very valuable commodity to the British Isles, it is right and proper that the Dominion Government should take the necessary steps to protect the Fort Norman discovery from a species of exploitation that would rob the people of this country of benefits to which they are entitled by their individual entitle in Canada's natural resources. If the discovery is of Empire significance, and there appear to be reliable indications in this direction, the solution of a fuel problem which has engaged the attention of the British and Canadian Governments may be within reach.

The suspension of the Order-in-Council passed six years ago, in which provision was made to encourage and assist search for oil on Crown lands, may cause a good deal of heartburning and not a little disappointment to those who had contemplated driving in their individual stakes; but unless the Government exercises its right of reserve in cases where it is in the interests of the country as a whole to do so a highly valuable natural possession might easily be dissipated and its benefits seized by monopolies. It is the plain duty of the Government to protect the Fort Norman find if it is of national importance. It is the property of the people and if it should become a big producer its economic value may not be underestimated.

**WHAT WAS EXPECTED.**

As a locality regarding itself in the light of a paragon of industry and respectability the Grandview section of the city of Vancouver resents Mr. Bowser's suggestion that the Oliver Government owes its victory in the recent election to a pact with the underworld in which the largest city of the Province was especially associated. We pointed out at the time that it would be surprising if the people of the Terminal City allowed a gratuitous insult of this character to pass without very strenuous objection.

Nor does this enterprising community intend to rely upon a general repudiation. It has examined the support which it gave to the Government and finds that the vote in its favor was relatively greater and to the Opposition relatively smaller than any district in Vancouver. But it very naturally objects to Mr. Bowser's inference that the result in Grandview was obtained by underworld influence and regards the charge as a monstrous libel upon the district. To give point to the repudiation, moreover, a special meeting of the Grandview Chamber of Commerce has been called to deal with the slander in fuller measure.

All of this emphasizes the quality of the campaign material which Mr. Bowser selects in an attempt to defeat his opponents. And if he really believes that the hard-headed farmers of the Delta are in a mood to be bamboozled by this sort of nonsense he will very probably get a rude shock when Mr. Patterson's votes are counted after the polling on the third of next month.

**PRACTICAL HELP WANTED.**

If the Allies will lend their moral support to the Armenians in the protection of their unhappy country from the Soviet Government of Russia and Bolshevik aims in general President Wilson will agree to send Mr. Henry Morgenthau to act as mediator between Armenia and Turkey. To lend moral support in this particular instance would be a very simple matter for the Allied Governments. But the President does not give any indication of what he means by moral support. Nor does he promise similar assistance from his own country. The fly in the ointment is the fact that the President is not in a position to give Armenia very much more than the benefit of his wisdom. The people of the United States as a whole and Congress in particular regard him very much in the sense of a "Past President," and look upon his official actions of the moment as matters which bespeak very little serious consideration. Added to this very natural state of affairs is the American outlook upon international obligations and its failure to regard Armenia as a subject for tangible interference by the United States. To talk of moral support as a remedy for Bolshevik aggression in the one country in Europe which has had enough moralizing protection to have given her national dyspepsia for all time is very much like trying to extinguish a fire with gasoline.

**WHAT ABOUT THIS?**

Advocates of proportional representation in reply to criticism of this system of voting as it was demonstrated in the municipal elections has received, point out that in the distribution of surplus votes in the contest for aldermen the wishes of the voters as indicated on the ballots were followed. But what about the wishes of the electors in the vote for Police Commissioners? The second choice votes on the ballots on which Messrs. Linklater and Peden were first choices were not counted at all. Hence, those who marked their ballots in that way voted for only one Commissioner although they were supposed—and endeavored—to vote for two. They were thus disfranchised to the extent of half their voting privileges.

**NOTE AND COMMENT**

It is to be hoped that the Dominion Government will develop a sane policy as a result of its action to put a reserve upon the Fort Norman oil discovery. This must not be a case of spe-

cial protection for the favored few. It has described the find as being of national importance. There is only one way to interpret that; it must govern itself accordingly and let this highly important development benefit Canada as a whole.

When the Allied Conference is whittled down it resolves itself into a battle between the keen wits of the representatives of two countries between whom there is an understanding which has stood the practical test of war and its aftermath.

Premier Oliver told a Langley Prairie audience last night that Mr. Bowser's suggestion of a Government pact with the Vancouver underworld was too malicious and contemptible for serious reply. This is exactly the opinion of all healthy-minded British Columbians.

The suggestion that the Government of this Province should give a bonus to encourage a more liberal response to the call for volunteers in the Canadian military organizations because there are no privates for the officers to command indicates a novel interpretation of provincial obligation.

Mayor Porter has made the requisite arrangements to deal with an excess outbreak of crime should Victoria be so unfortunate as to share the lot of other important communities on this continent. But this is one of the times when the people on an island may sleep sounder o' nights than those less favorably situated.

Mr. Lloyd George's personal organ, The London Daily Chronicle, expresses the obviously inspired view that Great Britain would send delegates to an international conference on disarmament proposed by President-elect Harding. Japanese Foreign Minister Uchida would welcome disarmament "for the general welfare of the human race." Could the course of the new incumbent at the White House be clearer?

**OTHER PAPERS' VIEWS**

**METHODS OF TARIFF MAKING.**

(The Montreal Journal of Commerce)  
 In the United States the process of tariff revision is usually a slow one. In Canada it is faster—or so much of it as comes under the public eye. Here the Government—or, to be more exact, the Finance Minister representing the Government—does the preliminary work, announces the conclusions in the budget speech, and the new rates of duty take effect immediately. The duties are not at the moment legally enforceable, for the law has not been passed. But as, at the final stage of the movement, the law is made retroactive to the date of the budget, nobody attempts to resist the immediate coming into operation of the duties when announced by the Minister. In the United States the method of handling the tariff is entirely different. It is a boast of the American system of government that there is a distinct separation of the legislative and executive functions. The President and his Cabinet have no part in tariff making. They may, by message or departmental report, make general recommendations as to any part of the nation's policy. But the work of preparing and promoting measures for tariff revision is referred to the Committee, and unless approved by the Committee they get no further. There are usually long hearings before the Committee and much debate in Congress before the end is reached. In the final stage a future date is fixed upon

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which the new law shall come into effect. There is thus ample warning to the public who are placed in a position to adjust their business to the coming change. The political revolution of the November election naturally opened the way to an early reconsideration of tariff policy. The present tariff, moderate in some respects and with a large free list, is the work of the Democratic Party who have just been defeated. It was reasonable to expect that after the inauguration of a Republican President in March and the meeting of the new Congress, in which the Republicans would be in control of both Houses, there would be a revival of the movement for protectionist legislation, and the slow process of tariff making would begin. No earlier movement was looked for. The old Congress, however, it still doing business and, to the surprise of many, it has taken up the tariff question. There is an emergency, we are told, and therefore an emergency measure is proposed, in the enactment of which the ordinary methods of tariff making are disregarded.

**COURAGE AND CONFIDENCE**  
 (From The Halifax Chronicle)  
 The horoscope of the future is uncertain. We are facing a period which may put our mettle to the supreme test. But there is no occasion for apprehension, much less for fear or panic. It is a time for courage and reasoned optimism rather than gloom or dismay.

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**HOROSCOPE**  
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Mars and Uranus rule strongly for evil to-day, according to astrology. The evening is especially menacing. The planetary forces seem to thwart many progressive and constructive movements, making for reactionary decisions. This may be apparent in legislative and civic bodies.

While there may be a tendency to curtail expenditures for reformatory work, the seers give warning that increase of crime will demand heroic measures to stop robbery and murder. Stars that encourage the selfish motives of human nature will be powerful

at this time. Protesting will be curtailed in the next few months but it will not be controlled, if the stars are read aright.

Mars is in a place read as indicative of continued agitation on various public questions and the minds of the people will be greatly inflamed from time to time.

Labor will pass through a period that will test the strength of the unions. This prophecy is repeated by the seers who foresee this year as eventful. A new leader will rise to power. Venus gives warning to women that vanity will lead them into many troubles. New standards of life among certain respectable classes are imperative, astrologers declare, if national ideals are to be preserved.

Suits concerning breach of promise and involving scandals of various sorts will be numerous, especially in the Spring.

Severe earthquakes are threatened next month soon after the new moon. Russia will meet new terrors this year which will be as turbulent and as unsettled as 1920, bringing changes in the

Government and the assassination of a prominent official.

Persons whose birthdate it is should not journey or remove in the next few months. Business affairs should be watched carefully and will then prosper. Children born on this day may be restless and fond of company, but talented and capable of big achievements.

**RAISED WITH CARE.**  
 "The business man had decided to try an office girl and was interviewing applicants for the job. He eyed rather suspiciously a fair young thing who wore a somewhat flimsy silk blouse and a lot of gaudy jewelry. "I—er—hope you were carefully brought up?" he stammered nervously.  
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 —Philadelphia Bulletin.

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- Women's Brown Kid Boots, at ..... **\$6.95**
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- Women's "Queen Quality" Brown Kid Ties and Pumps, at ..... **\$8.95**
- Men's Rubber Knee Boots, at ..... **\$4.95**
- Children's "Huributs" Patent Button Boots, at **\$3.95** and ..... **\$4.95**
- Children's "Classic" Welted Brown Calf Button and Lace Boots, at, pair, **\$2.95** and ..... **\$3.95**
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- English Longcloth, 36-inch, pure finish, extra quality; regular 75c. On sale at .... **35c**

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- WEDNESDAY HALF DAY SPECIALS**
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  - Dome Black Lead, 25c boxes **11¢**
  - Dustbane Sweeping Compound, 40c tins ..... **33¢**
  - Washing Blue, six packages **25¢**
  - Gold Seal Condensed Milk, tin **23¢**
  - C & B Curry Powder, per bottle, 22¢ and ..... **38¢**
  - White Cottell's Old Country Pure Malt Vinegar, quart bottles; 45c value ..... **36¢**
  - Clark's Tomato Catsup, 40c bottles for ..... **34¢**
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  - English Army Blacking, 15c tins at, each ..... **9¢**
  - Silver Gloss Starch, six-pound tins, each ..... **93¢**
  - Hirondelle's Vermicelli, 16-ounce packages ..... **14¢**
  - Teco Pancake Flour, 20c packages three for ..... **50¢**
  - Quaker Brand Scotch Pearl Barley package ..... **13¢**
  - MacLaren's Quick Custard Puddings, lemon, plain, rose vanilla, coconut and nutmeg; 15c packages ..... **12¢**
  - Old Brown Windsor Soap, six cakes for ..... **24¢**
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### BOARD AGAIN DISCUSSES SYSTEM OF RAISING TAXES

Saanich School Trustees Air Views on Costs; To Charge For Meetings

Chairman Holloway last night brought before the new Saanich School Board his scheme of ward ratings in accordance with their expenditures, with especial reference to the fact that the inner wards have a need for more schools, and the present taxation system charges such costs on the general assessment.

He maintained that the Board should take steps to secure a conference between the Board, the Municipal Council and the general ratepayers. "I know it is outside our authority, and probably, as the Ratepayers' Associations are working on the matter, it would be well to leave the matter in abeyance for the present," he said, after it had been remarked that, as Trustees, the Board should determine the school needs, and leave to the Council the mode of raising the needed funds.

**For Consolidated School**  
After the difficulty of establishing new schools at the cost of the district served had been touched upon, Mrs. Humphries said, "You can never do it. I favor disposing of all the little schools, and the construction and operation of a great big consolidated school in their place."

The discussion was abandoned as entirely out of order.

**Set Fee For Meetings.**

The Board decreed that Parent-Teacher Associations in Saanich will be granted no general permission to use the schools for meetings whenever they so desire. Permission will be granted, without cavil, whenever asked for, the Board deciding the janitor's fee shall be \$1 for each occasion and \$1 additional when lighting is used. Trustee Mrs. Humphries commented adversely on requiring ratepayers' meetings to compensate the janitors, arguing that it was unfair to expect ratepayers to pay fees for the use of their own property, but the Board decided the charges now decided upon shall be payable in advance for any and every public meeting held in the schools.

**FOR CHILDREN**  
**THE SANDMAN STORY FOR TO-NIGHT**

#### MISS KITTEN'S NEW HAT

Miss Kitten could hardly wait for Sunday, so proud was she of her new hat, and she was quite sure she would not only be envied by all the other pussies, but she would also be the handsomest puss at church.

Miss Kitten had been working a long time collecting the trimmings for her hat and I am sorry to tell you that it was trimmed with wings and feathers.

Yes, Miss Kitten was not a friend of the pretty little bird that lived near her home and she had feathers of all colors with which to trim her hat, which proved how naughty she had been.

On Sunday she was up early, and as soon as her house was in order off she tripped dressed in her new hat for church.

It happened that she had to pass through the woods and Willy Bluejay, who was sitting on a limb of a tree near the road, saw Miss Kitten. "Chatter, chatter, chatter," said Willy, which means "bird language."

"You thief, you thief!" And off flew Willy Bluejay to tell all the birds in the woods that Miss Kitten was coming dressed in her new hat trimmed with the wings and feathers of their relatives.

When Miss Kitten reached the middle of the woods there on the trees and bushes, out of her reach, or course, sat hundreds of birds, chattering like mad.

"You are a thief, you wicked cat!"

They shrieked at her, "you killed our children, you killed our mother, you killed our father, you killed our sister and you killed our brother."

At first Miss Kitten did not notice them, but as she walked along they flew over her, still screaming.

Just before she reached the end of the path out of the woods down flew Willy Bluejay and picked off a feather from her hat.

Seeing his daring, Tommie Sparrow grew bold and down he swooped and took the hat right off Miss Kitten's head.

"Pick out her eyes! Pick out her eyes!" cried all the other birds, flying around her, until Miss Kitten was so scared she ran.

But the birds followed, screaming and flapping their wings, and at last Miss Kitten had to take refuge under some old boards and stay there until dark.

Then out she crept, all her vanity gone, and never again did she bother the birds or have the least wish to trim her Sunday hat with feathers.

"Oh, Reginald," said the sweet girl to her lover, "that horrid man on the other side of the street has been following us for the last half-hour, and he keeps staring so boldly at me."

Like a warrior thirsting for blood, Reginald Smyth-Jones, without a word, crossed the road and confronted the stalker. "Look here, Robin-

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son," he said, "I'm sorry I haven't got the money to pay you, but it's really too bad to follow me about when I'm doing my best to land a young heiress. Wait a bit longer, man, and you'll get your money." Robinson departed knowingly, and Smyth-Jones rejoined his adored one. "I'm very glad you called my attention to the scoundrel," he remarked. "I spoke to him pretty sternly, I can tell you, and I don't think he'll stare at you again in a hurry. If he hadn't gone off, I should have thrashed him. How brave you are!" she murmured.

**BULL-DOG DRUMMOND**  
By Cyril McNeile  
"Sapper"

It was half an hour before Drummond decided that it was safe to start exploring. The moon still shone fitfully through the trees, but since the two car watchers were near the road on the other side of the house, there was but little danger to be apprehended from them. First he took off his shoes, and tying the laces together, he slung them round his neck. Then, as silently as he could, he commenced to scramble upwards. It was not an easy operation; one slip and nothing could have stopped him slithering down and finally crashing into the garden below, with a broken leg, at the very least, for his pains. In addition, there was the risk of dislodging a slate, an unwise proceeding in a house where most of the occupants slept with one eye open. But at last he got his hands over the ridge of the roof, and in another moment he was sitting straddlewise across it.

The house, he discovered, was built on a peculiar design. The ridge on which he sat continued at the same height all round the top of the roof, and formed, roughly, the four sides of a square. In the middle the roof sloped down to a flat space from which stuck up a glass structure, the top of which was some five or six feet below his level. Around it was a space quite large enough to walk in comfort; in fact, on two sides there was plenty of room for a deck chair. The whole area was completely screened from view, except to anyone in an aeroplane. And what struck him still further was that there was no window that he could see anywhere on the inside of the roof. In fact, it was absolutely concealed and private. Incidentally, the house had originally been built by a gentleman of doubtful sanity, who spent his life observing the spots in Jupiter through a telescope; and having plunged himself and his family into complete penury, sold the house and observatory complete for what he could get. Lakington, struck with its possibilities for his own hobby, bought it on the spot; and from that time Jupiter spotted undisturbed.

With the utmost caution Hugh lowered himself to the full extent of his arms; then he let himself slip the last two or three feet on to the level space around the glass roof. He had no doubt in his mind that he was actually above the secret room, and, on tip-toe, he stole round looking for some spot from which he could get a glimpse below. At the first inspection he thought his time had been wasted; every pane of glass was frosted, and in addition there seemed to be a thick blind of some sort drawn across from underneath, of the same type as is used by photographers for altering the light.

A sudden rattle close to him made him start violently; only to curse himself for a nervous ass the next moment, and lean forward eagerly. One of the blinds had been released from inside the room, and a pale, diffused light came filtering out into the night from the side of the glass roof. He was still craning backwards and forwards to try to find some chink through which he could see, when, with a kind of uncanny deliberation, one of the panes of glass slowly opened. It was worked on a ratchet from inside, and Hugh bowed his thanks to the unseen operator below. Then he leant forward cautiously, and peered in.

The whole room was visible to him, and his jaw tightened as he took in the scene. In an armchair smoking as unconcernedly as ever sat Peterson. He was reading a letter, and occasionally underlining some point with a pencil. Beside him on a table was a big ledger, and every now and then he would turn over a few pages and make an entry. But it was not

Peterson on whom the watcher above was concentrating his attention; it was Lakington—and the thing beside him on the sofa.

Lakington was bending over a long bath full of some light-brown liquid from which a faint vapor was arising. He was in his shirt sleeves, and on his hands he wore what looked like rubber gloves, stretching right up to his elbows. After a while he dipped a test tube into the liquid, and going over to a shelf he selected a bottle and added a few drops to the contents of the tube. Apparently satisfied with the result, he returned to the bath and shook in some white powder. Immediately the liquid commenced to froth and bubble, and at the same moment Peterson stood up.

"Are you ready?" he said, taking off his coat and picking up a pair of gloves similar to those the other was wearing.

"Quite," answered Lakington, abruptly. "We'll get him in."

They approached the sofa and Hugh, with a kind of fascinated horror, forced himself to look. For the thing that lay there was the body of the dead Russian, Ivolsky.

The two men picked him up and, having carried the body to the bath, they dropped it into the fuming liquid. Then, as if it was the most normal thing in the world, they peeled off their long gloves and stood watching. For a minute or so nothing happened, and then gradually the body commenced to disappear. A faint sickly smell came through the open window, and Hugh wiped the sweat off his forehead. It was too horrible, the hideous deliberation of it all. And whatever vile tortures the wretched man had inflicted on others in Russia, yet it was through him that his dead body lay there in the bath, disappearing slowly and relentlessly.

(To be Continued)

**VANCOUVER ISLAND NEWS**  
**Stamp Falls Power.**  
Port Alberni—A company is in process of formation in Alberni for the purpose of developing electrical energy at Stamp Falls, says the Port Alberni News. The provisional directors are local people and have already subscribed \$10,000. The sum of \$30,000 is to be raised for carrying out the plans in hand which call for a unit of 500 horse power and the promoters are sanguine of success, prospecting for the full amount being most promising.

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### Asks Election Questions.—Alderman E. S. Woodward last night submitted to Mayor Porter a list of questions relative to the recent municipal election. Returning Officer William Scofield will reply to these queries, which are based on a series of quotations from newspaper articles. "There will be no more proportional representation stuff after this," Alderman Sangster told the Council.

### Slippery Street.—At the request of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the City Council last night instructed City Engineer F. M. Preston to have a receptacle filled with sand placed at the top of the Government Street hill outside the Post Office. Teamsters will be able to scatter the sand over the pavement when it is slippery, thus reducing the danger to horses.

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To Speak To-Morrow.—An interesting illustrated lecture will be given by City Solicitor H. S. Pringle at the Garden City Methodist Church to-morrow night at 8 o'clock. The subject of the lecture will be "Japan and Korea."

### BRIEF LOCALS

Trustee Holloway is Chairman.—The Saanich School Board last night elected Trustee Holloway as chairman for the coming year.

Fruit Growers Meet To-night.—The annual meeting of the Saanich Fruit Growers' Association will be held at the Keating Temperance Hall at 8 o'clock this evening.

Burns' Concert To-night.—To-night at 8 o'clock at the Emmanuel Baptist Church an illustrated lecture will be given on "Robert Burns and His Works." A programme of Scottish songs will also be given.

To Address G. A. U. V.—Dr. Ernest Hall will deliver the second of a series of political addresses before the Grand Army of United Veterans to-night. An invitation is extended to all members with their wives and friends to be present.

To Represent Board.—Trustee Mrs. Humphries was last night appointed representative of the Saanich School Board on the Directorate of the Victorian Order of Nurses, Saanich Branch. "And I hope you will have an interesting year," said Chairman Holloway.

Efficiency is Motive.—The Saanich School Board last night decided to ask the Municipal Public Works Department to undertake control of repair and other work needed in maintenance of the schools, it being considered greater economy and efficiency will be so attained.

Musical Success.—Miss Muriel M. Daniels, pupil of Mrs. W. O. Cockett, has successfully passed the Local Centre Rudiments of Music examination of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and Royal College of Music, London, England.

Chief Detective Holidaying.—Inspector G. M. Perdue, the chief of the detective department of the city police force, left yesterday for a vacation in California, and is expected to be away for about two months. During his absence, Detective Sergeant H. J. O'Leary will be in charge of the department.

Dr. Plaskett To Lecture.—"The Application of Photography to Astronomy" will be the subject of an interesting address to be given by Dr. J. S. Plaskett, of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory, at the photographic exhibition in the Parliament Buildings this evening at 8 o'clock.

Alderman Indisposed.—Alderman A. M. Aiken has informed his colleagues that he will be unable to attend City Council meetings for a week or two on account of slight illness. The alderman's physician has ordered him to remain indoors for a time.

More Physical Training.—Trustee Thorne last night suggested that more attention should be paid to teaching physical exercises in the Saanich schools. Chairman Holloway agreed, adding that swimming should be taught in summer, "but that is a subject for later on, we have to be careful this year," he said.

Serious Street Conditions.—"The very insanitary state" of Highview Street was brought to the attention of the City Council last night by J. Donegan. On account of the lack of drains, said Mr. Donegan, water overflows off the streets and floods neighboring basements. City Engineer F. M. Preston has been instructed to investigate the situation.

Saanich School Estimates.—Preliminary ordinary estimates of money needed for Saanich schools were laid before the School Board last night, the total being \$105,843, of which \$52,795 would be obtained from the Provincial Government and \$53,048 from taxation. These tentative figures will be considered in detail at a special meeting to be held next Monday, January 31.

In Supreme Court.—Mr. Justice Gregory in the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon in the case of Hamon vs. O'Kelly, gave plaintiff judgment for \$80 and \$30 respectively for the hauling of logs and gravel in connection with defendant's logging operations at Otter Point. The award applies to the days actually worked. W. J. Taylor, K.C., and A. J. Eaton appeared for plaintiff, and J. A. Aikman for defendant.

Motors Imperil Children.—Because of the lack of a sidewalk on Quadra Street, children attending the North Dairy School are in daily peril of accident, according to statements made to the North Dairy School Parent Teachers' Association last night. A delegation will wait on the Saanich Council to urge the omission be repaired. President Sandford was re-elected for the present year. Mrs. Calvert was named vice-president and Miss Bird as secretary treasurer. Miss Lucas was named as honorary

School-Church Cow-Bye.—The Saanich School Board was last night asked to rent the old Prospect school building at Healy's Station to a newly settling settler, for a temporary home until a permanent house can be constructed. The Board were informed that the long disused building had been used as a church and later as a cow-barn. The applicant will be granted the use of the ancient structure on making the needed repairs and replastering.

Prospect School Expansion.—Because of difficulties in accommodating the children living near Eberts and Glyn Stations on the B.C.R.R., the Saanich School Board last night decided to investigate the possibility of transferring the children to Prospect school by rail. This course was considered as the best way to relieve pressure on the overcrowded Strawberryvale school and use to good advantage accommodation available at Prospect.

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president. A proposal that a social evening be held at the school shortly endorsed, but no definite date was decided upon.

Conservative Car Party.—The Conservative Club will hold the second of its series of weekly social gatherings in the new club rooms, top floor of the Campbell Building, on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The entertainment will take the form of a military five hundred drive, and splendid prizes will be given. The committee in charge is sparing no effort to make the affair a success and a big crowd is anticipated.

Fined For Chimney Fires.—J. Halliwell was fined \$10 this morning for permitting the chimney of his residence to catch fire. He had only been in occupation of the house for a few months, and believed everything in order. Chew, a Chinaman, was assessed \$15 and \$2.50 costs for a like offence, after admitting he had failed to comply with the city by-law requiring semi-annual sweeping, admitting that it was more than a year since the chimney had been cleaned.

Address on Earthquakes.—F. Napier Denison, superintendent of Gonzales Observatory, gave an interesting address on the subject of earthquakes and volcanoes before the Young People's Society of St. Columba Church, Oak Bay, last night. The lecture was illustrated and was very entertaining. The following took part in the programme which was offered following the lecture: Duet, the Misses Skinner; solo, Mr. Belmont; recitation, B. E. Letevre; solo, Mrs. Letevre; solo, Mr. Gelling.

Receives Appointment.—Jack McConnell, of Vancouver, a widely known newspaperman, has taken up important work in the advertising field, and has been appointed a director of McConnell & Ferguson's Advertising Agency, London, Ontario, a national institution with branches throughout Canada. Mr. McConnell's company has handled some of the largest advertising campaigns carried out in the Dominion during the past few years. The Vancouver man will have charge of the financial end of the business, and will pay special attention to propaganda in promotion work. While Mr. McConnell will reside in the East he retains many business interests in British Columbia.

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### COURT OF APPEAL

The appeal in Ullock vs. Pacific Great Eastern Railway is still occupying the attention of the Court of Appeal here. The next case to be heard will be that of Municipality of North Cowichan vs. Gore Langton, an appeal from the decision of Mr. Justice Gregory in connection with an expropriation award.

A woman walking along Broadway in New York suddenly stopped and shrieked: "Oh, you vile man, Officer, arrest that man." Immediately every man within hearing began to run.

# ANDROS REPLIES TO SARGENT STATEMENT

"Sad Case of Sour Grapes," Says New Finance Chairman

While he preferred to make no comment on the matter at the City Council meeting, Alderman E. B. Andros, Chairman of the civic Finance Committee, this morning gave out a statement regarding the remarks which Alderman W. J. Sargent, former Finance Chairman, made about him publicly last night, and which are reported elsewhere in these columns:

Alderman Andros's statement follows:

"Life is too short for me to treat Alderman Sargent's charges seriously, and I am forced to conclude it is a sad case of sour grapes.

"Mayor Porter has shown his confidence in me by paying me the compliment of appointing me Chairman of the Finance Committee and I hope that, although I do not claim to be a 'financial wizard' and cannot turn a deficit into a surplus, with the aid of the other members of the committee to conduct all matters pertaining to the finances of the city in a sane and safe manner."

# WOULD LENGTHEN ALDERMANIC TERM

## Council Would Give Five Present Members Another Year

If legislation embodied in the city's Private Bill is passed by the Provincial Legislature at its forthcoming session, the five aldermen who headed the polls in Victoria's recent civic election will hold office until the end of 1922.

In asking the Legislature to bring into force here a two-year term for aldermen, the Private Bill provides that "the five aldermen who were first elected by the Returning Officer at the 1921 election shall hold office until the annual municipal election for aldermen in the second year thereafter, and the Legislature would hardly wish to lengthen the term of five aldermen already elected by the voters for a one-year term."

Mr. Pringle replied that the Legislature had the necessary power to do so and could, if it wished, decide to postpone the inauguration of the two-year term until the beginning of 1922. The five aldermen who will hold office for two years if the city's Private Bill is passed as it stands are: A. E. Todd, George Sangster, Robert Dawar, A. M. Aikman and W. J. Sargent. It is claimed that the matter is of little interest to them, as they would have no difficulty in being elected again next year if they so desired.

The Bill provides, in addition, that the first meeting of the City Council in future shall be called when the Mayor sees fit.

It is provided also that candidates for the Police Commission shall have the same qualifications as aldermanic candidates.

Under the Private Bill nominations for Mayor and aldermen would be held during the last week of December in each year and polling would take place in the first week in January, but not later than four days after the date of nomination. The date of nomination

# CHEQUE PASSER TO SERVE YEAR

## Edward Jewers Sentenced to Twelve Months' Imprisonment for Fraud

In the city police court this morning Magistrate Jay sentenced Edward Jewers to serve six months in jail for passing a fraudulent cheque upon Gordons, Limited, six months for a similar fraud upon O'Connell's, Ltd., to run consecutively to the first sentence, and six months for forgery in signing one of the cheques.

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The Bill provides that householders' names shall be automatically placed on the voters' list from year to year as long as they continue to pay the road tax. At present they have to register each year.


West Saanich Institute.—The military 500 held under the auspices of the West Saanich Women's Institute was a decided success, ten tables playing and many sitting out. The winners were as follows: Miss Gladys Guy, Mrs. W. D. Mitchell, Messrs. W. and F. Mitchell; consolation, Mrs. Fox, E. Sidwell, N. Farrell, and A. Evans. Another of these parties will be held on Wednesday, February 2, under the auspices of the Institute. A concert will be held at the West Road Hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 1, in aid of the two churches in the neighborhood, Baptist and Church of England. Committees have been formed and are working hard to make this concert a great success.

### OBITUARY RECORD

Mrs. Susan Abercrombie Holmes, relict of the late Rev. David Holmes, died yesterday morning at the age of 89 years at the family home, "Holmesdale," Buena Vista Heights, Duncan. Mrs. Holmes, with her husband, who predeceased her on October 19, 1915, came to Cowichan thirty-six years ago. She was closely associated with the work of the Order of King's Daughters, having been allied with the organization of the first branch in Cowichan district. She leaves to mourn her loss two sons, D. H. B. Holmes and P. C. Holmes, both of Duncan, and three daughters, Mrs. R. H. Vaughan, of Victoria; Mrs. Percy Roberts, of Kupat Islands; and Mrs. H. Charter of Crofton. The funeral will be held from the family home, "Holmesdale," to St. Peter's Church, Quamichan.

The remains of the late Mrs. Violet McGrigge, who passed away at Sidney yesterday morning, will repose at the Sands Funeral Chapel until to-morrow, when the casket will be removed to St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Sidney, where the service will be conducted at 2.30 by the Rev. Mr. Storey. Interment will take place at Patricia's Bay Cemetery.

The funeral of the late Arthur Sampson, who passed away suddenly



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## Aristocrats Played Great Game But Lost

### Millionaires' Defence Responsible For Close Win; Victoria Was Always Dangerous and Outside First Period Had Even Break on Play; Cyclone Taylor Staged Come-Back But Frederickson Took Lot of His Lustre Away.

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—Vancouver puckchasers are again showing the way in the Pacific Coast hockey race, climbing up a notch last night when they defeated Victoria 5-2 in an uphill battle. Fred "Smoky" Harris, the distinguished left-winger, is again the top scorer in the league, while old "Cyc" Taylor has demonstrated to the folks that while he may be growing old he still possesses young ideas.

Over 8,000 enthusiastic fans glimpsed last night's proceedings and cheered themselves hoarse when the veteran cut loose with one of his famous rushes in the first period, dodged a couple of Victoria men and planted the disc in the net for the cleanest goal of the night—the marker which put Vancouver one up on the Aristocrats and paved the way for a Millionaires' victory. From then on the league leaders were never headed. They picked off three more goals before the final whistle sounded, although it must be said that the Capitals gave them a real battle all the way.

### Very Close Checking.

Last night's match was productive of some thrills, an occasional brilliant piece of work and goal keeping of far excellence but on the whole it fell below standard which may be accounted for by the close checking by both squads. Times without number the teams got away only to be checked up before they could make any headway. The back-checking was undoubtedly the best seen in any game this season, and while the pace was fast, play was ragged in a good many spots.

Vancouver stayed off defeat through the brilliant defensive tactics of Mackay, Cook and Duncan, who, along with Lehman, in the nets, had the Aristocrats beaten as clean as a whistle.

### Victoria Dangerous.

Victoria was always dangerous and their centre ice play was fast and effective, their passing being smart and well timed, but at close quarters they found it as tough breaking through as a cross-eyed man trying to glimpse a world's series through a knothole. Hit at the top by the Capitals, got away with three and four men in a row, but Duncan's bludgeon would shoot out and the puck would travel in the other direction.

It was the same on Cook's wing. While the Millionaires are officially credited with five counters, they collected the sixth which Mr. Urps disallowed. Taylor scored a goal in the east end cage in the first period, but the shot was too fast for the uppers and, although a council of war was held on the spot, the claim for a goal was disallowed and in consequence of this decision the victors went to the net for naught. On the offensive the Vancouverians combined better and in the first period they had a decided edge but thereafter it was an even battle with end to end play raging.

### Fowler Was Good.

Erratic shooting spoiled a lot of chances for the visitors. Fowler turned in one of his best games of the season and his sensational work at times was responsible for keeping the count down.

### "Freddie" a Corner.

Frederickson showed plenty of class although pitted against the game's greatest player. Taylor had experience to guide him in his play against the youngster, but it could easily be seen that Frederickson had the better head. After seeing Frederickson in action against Taylor the fans here are quite confident that within a few years the former skipper will have eclipsed the record of the "Cyclone" and be the outstanding star in the national game.

Frederickson shot both Victoria's goal, getting the first on pass from Oatman and notching the second on a pass from the former. Fowler although the star visitor was closely watched he had a peculiar knack of worming his way through the home defence and was continually lifting the puck against Lehman.

### The teams were as follows:

Vancouver. Position. Victoria  
Lehman ..... goal ..... Fowler  
Cook ..... defence ..... Johnson  
Duncan ..... defence ..... C. Loughlin  
Mackay ..... rover ..... W. Loughlin  
Taylor ..... centre ..... Frederickson  
Skinner ..... r. wing ..... Oatman  
Harris ..... l. wing ..... Dundard  
W. Adams ..... utility ..... H. Meeking  
J. Adams ..... utility ..... G. Meeking  
Destreau ..... utility .....  
Summary.  
First period: 1, Victoria, Frederickson on Oatman, 4:32; 2, Vancouver, Skinner, 1:38; 3, Vancouver, Taylor, 5:50; 4, Vancouver, Mackay from Harris, 6:38.  
Second period: 5, Vancouver, Skinner from Taylor, 3:3; 6, Victoria, Frederickson from Oatman, 4:32; 7, Vancouver, Skinner, 1:38; 8, Vancouver, Taylor, 5:50; 9, Vancouver, Mackay from Harris, 6:38.  
Third period: 10, Vancouver, Skinner from Taylor, 3:3; 11, Victoria, Frederickson from Oatman, 4:32; 12, Vancouver, Skinner, 1:38; 13, Vancouver, Taylor, 5:50; 14, Vancouver, Mackay from Harris, 6:38.

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## String of Canadian Boxers Appears in New York To-night

New York, Jan. 25.—(Canadian Press)—The feature of the international boxing tournament this evening between Canada and United States contestants, will be the bout between Harry Ellis, of Canada, and Bill Spenger, of the New York Police Club, in the heavyweight class. Spenger is the present champion of the local force, having won his title last Monday evening when he defeated Arthur Wallot, the former champion, in two rounds.

### The Bout.

The pairings for to-night's bouts are announced as follows:  
125-pound class—Fatsy, Canada, vs. James J. Fanning, Hudson Guild, New York.  
118-pound class—William Wag-

## HAMILTON'S WILD OVER ROUGH HOCKEY

### Want Newsy Lalonde and Mummy, of Canadiens, Suspended

#### If N.H.L. Officials Do Not Act Police May Be Asked to Arrest Players

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 25.—In an editorial on Saturday night's hockey game between Tigers and Canadiens the sporting editor of The Herald says:  
"If the National Hockey League does not take the bull by the horns and suspend its 'bad men' Hamilton's police will be asked to take action."  
"A repetition of Saturday's game here between Tigers and Canadiens will surely result in offenders being hustled off to jail—not for five minutes or for the night, but to answer a charge of assault."

### Lalonde Falls Bad One.

"Neway Lalonde, star of the Flying Frenchmen, was guilty of the meanest attack ever seen on a Hamilton rink. He skated up behind Joe Malone and butt-ended him in the face. The result of the vicious attack is that Malone is sewn up and the tear-dust of one of his eyes is injured. Manager Thompson announced yesterday that he would have to call in a specialist."

### Hamilton Fans Hot.

"Is that the kind of hockey that Hamilton fans sit still by and watch? If the N. H. L. thinks that local fans will sit still it is sadly mistaken. That sort of rowdiness which is tolerated here, Lalonde and Mummy ought to be put out of professional hockey. Lalonde has done some similar things before. Mummy has 245 pounds of 'beef' and very little more to entitle him to play in paid hockey. He slashes well and that seems to go a long way in professional company."

### Weyburn Still Losing.

Regina, Jan. 25.—Weyburn maintained its record in the S. A. H. A. of falling to win a single senior league fixture with the visitors. Weyburn last night by the Vics. of Regina, 6 to 2.

### Ekimons Going Up.

Calgary, Jan. 25.—Edmonton Eskimons made quite a gain in the Big Four Hockey League, by defeating the Saskatoon players, 3 to 0.

### Saskatoon Beats Jawers.

Moose Jaw, Jan. 25.—With Slim Halderon and Bobby Benson, two of Saskatoon's players, declared ineligible to play in the S. A. H. A., the Saskatoon Crescents defeated Moose Jaw here last night 3 to 2. The game was played under protest and Halderon and Benson were in the lineup for Saskatoon.

### Tail-Enders Win Out.

Edmonton, Jan. 25.—The Edmonton Dominions, tail-enders in the Big Four Hockey League, for a second time this season, last night defeated the leaders, the Calgary Tigers, the score being 6 to 4.

### Nelson Likes Six-Man Game.

Nelson, Jan. 25.—Clashing for the second time this season, the Trail and Nelson senior hockey teams gave last night one of the best exhibitions of hockey seen here for years, the score being 9 to 8. The six-man game, as a result of its showing thus far this year, is in high favor with the public.

### ARTHUR PELKEY HAS SLEEPING SICKNESS

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 25.—Arthur Pelkey, heavyweight champion pugilist of Canada, now a member of the Ford Council and police force, is suffering from what doctors diagnose as sleeping sickness. Pelkey was taken to the hospital Saturday afternoon. He had been ill for some time, although he had continued at work. This is the third case of sleeping sickness reported in the border cities.

### TRAIL RINKS BEATEN IN BIG B. C. BONSPIEL

Nelson, Jan. 25.—Visiting rinks defeated the Trail rinks by a score of 116 points to 71, in the All-Comers event, the opening fixture of the 55th annual bonspiel of the British Columbia Association, at Trail yesterday. There are 27 rinks in the bonspiel, of which 22 took part in the All-Comers.

For flying his airplane too low over a football game at Los Angeles, an aviator was fined \$25.

## Elks File Protest Over Senators' Win

### Victoria Amateur Hockey Association Will Consider Protest Immediately; Likely Game Will Be Ordered Replayed; Burnett's Action In Punching Referee Genge and Saluting Crowd to Be Taken Up; War Vets Win.

To-day an official protest was filed with the secretary of the Victoria Amateur Ice Hockey League by the Elks over last night's game with the Senators at the Arena. The Elks claim that the Senators had an extra man on the ice when the winning goal was scored. Hughie Burnett had been banished from the game and a substitute was injected into the fray immediately. The score was a tie and the Elks expected to gain an edge when playing against five men. In the excitement the Elks did not notice that they were opposing six men, but when the Senators lifted in the deciding goal there was an uproar and it was found that the Straith clan had an extra man on the ice.

### The Elks' protest will be handed over to the Board of Governors of the V. A. H. A. for decision. This is the first protest of the season and judging from opinion freely expressed last night and to-day by officials of the league the game will be ordered replayed.

### No Sneak Method.

George Straith, manager of the Senators, takes exception to the statement that he sneaked a man on the ice after Burnett had been penalized. "I never want anyone to think that I will sneak a man on the ice to win a game," said Manager Straith this morning. "Referee Genge came up to me and informed me that he had banished Burnett for the rest of the game and I could put on a substitute according to the rules. Right then and there I told Don Straith to take the ice, believing that I was right in doing so. The whole thing hinges on what the rules say about substitutes for the major penalty in six-man hockey."

### No Substitute Allowed.

On delving into the rules governing six-man amateur hockey it has been discovered that whenever a man is banished for any period in the game no substitutes is allowed. In this event the Senators undoubtedly were in error in putting the sixth man into play.

It was impossible to discover this morning from any of the officials of the league just what punishment, if any, would be meted out to Hughie Burnett for his actions on the ice last night. An argument over the goal scored by Genge, of the Elks, and Burnett was in the thick of it. Referee Genge said that he had seen Burnett in the act of striking the referee with his fist and the little defence man lost his head and slapped the arbitrator in the face. Genge said that he had seen Burnett on the rest of the game. While Hughie was skating off he received a chorus of boos and presented the crowd with the double Eeyan salute.

### Flew Right Off.

It is to be regretted that Burnett, who is a splendid little hockey player, cannot control his actions. He has been a menace to the league this season and it was hoped that he had forgotten his bad traits. But last night he flew off the handle completely. An assault on a referee is dangerous practice and is most times severely punished. Burnett's method of showing his displeasure of the spectators is also reprehensible and will no doubt receive the consideration of the league executive.

If Burnett is suspended for any period the Senators will probably find the going very hard, as their substitutes are not up to the calibre of the rest of the team. The loss of Burnett would come exceptionally good. Dow had slowed up considerably of late.

### Vets Trim Garrison.

The War Vets showed plenty of stamina in the first game of the doubleheader, and won from the Garrison after nearly nine minutes' overtime by 2-1. There was a lot of excitement all the way through, and Roy Copas gathered most of the laurels, shooting both the Vets' goals.

The Vets forced the play at the outset by 2-1, but the Garrison, led by Gravin, Godville and Goodeve pulled off a couple of nice rushes, one of which was very dangerous, but Harry Copas saved nicely. Dudley and Copas were good in goal during the second period, and Goodeve responded with individual rushes. The play warmed up considerably towards the close of the period, and the end to end rushes were exceptionally good.

### Both Teams Score.

At the start of the second, the Vets again got the jump, Copas and Dudley hoisting in shots. Oatman and Fitzsimmons went to the other end and gave H. Copas several hot ones to handle. Both teams were travelling at top speed. Roy Copas gathered the puck behind the Vets' goal, and skating the length of the ice, slipped through the Garrison defence, and when he shot, Graylin had no hope of saving, and the Vets' first score was chalked up. Codville and Goodeve travelled strongly in an effort to equalize. Ripley saved one, but Goodeve came down again and grabbing the puck behind the Vets' goal tried to centre. The puck hit Dudley and bounced past H. Copas for a goal. Gravin followed with a fast rush, Harry Smith then got going and chucked a goal out of his system. He beat the Elks' defence and scored with a fast shot. Burnett and Smith tried re-

### WILLARD QUITE SURE HE WILL LICK JACK

#### Jess Wants to Show Public He is Better Fighter Than Dempsey

New York, Jan. 25.—Beaming with smiles that radiated the confidence he expressed in his ability to "come back," Jess Willard, one time heavyweight boxing champion, began search to-day for training quarters for his prospective match here with Jack Dempsey, March 17.

### LOST BY ACCIDENT.

Willard declared his defeat by Dempsey was an accident. "I'm satisfied I can beat him. I was unfortunate at Toledo. But you know setbacks come in the life of every man. For instance, you can't name a ball player who plays year in and year out without missing a fly ball now and then. I missed a high fly at Toledo."

### MASON OUTPOINTED.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 25.—Johnny McCoy, Cleveland lightweight, decisively outpointed Frankie Mason, United States flyweight champion, in a ten-round bout here last night.

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## UNION CLUB AND OLD BOYS IN WILD GAME

It is surprising how many organizations have got the idea into their heads that anyone can play ice hockey. Many weird teams have sprung into being. The Times sports page is supposed to reign supreme in the World Hockey League. The Colonist, through its defeat of the Old Boys, is in second place and the Old Boys in order to pick on some one and avoid the cellar position have induced a new constellation to be known as the Union Club Mickies to travel to the Arena to-night and try conclusions.

## V.I. BASKETBALL

Four basketball games were pulled off at the V. I. A. A. gymnasium at Victoria West last night, the home team winning three of four. All four games were fairly close, as will be seen by the following scores:

First Presbyterian Juniors, 32; V. I. A. A. Juniors, 22.  
V. I. A. A. Intermediates, 14; Victoria West Presbyterians, 10.  
V. I. A. A. ladies, 14; Calgarians, 8.  
V. I. A. A. "A" team, 26; V. I. A. A. "B" team, 22.

Another series of games will be played on Thursday evening. Two teams of V. I. A. A. ladies averaging ten years old will play their first basketball game. The V. I. A. A. ladies will meet the fast Esquimaux High School girls' team, the V. I. A. A. Intermediates will be opposed by the First Presbyterian Intermediates, while the V. I. A. A. Seniors will meet one of the Senior

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# at the Theatre

## DOMINION

Who is the busiest woman in the world? Ask anyone in the California motion picture colony that question and they'll probably answer without hesitation: Lois Weber.

Miss Weber, who was the first woman to enter the producing end of the motion picture industry, is now engaged in making a series of big productions for Paramount release. Her greatest difficulty encountered so far, according to her own words, is "living on twenty-four hours a day." If it were just actually directing the filming of pictures that occupied Miss Weber's time, she would not find her working day so cramped.

But Lois Weber is not only a director. She writes her own stories, turns them into continuity form, selects her casts, directs the players, and edits and titles the film after it is completed. From the time the germ of the story pops into her nimble brain until the developed film is delivered into the hands of the company which distributes her pictures, Miss Weber is constantly on the job. That the results are worth the labor is proven by such productions as "To Please One Woman," which will be shown at the Dominion all week. This picture deals in an ap-

## AMUSEMENTS TO-DAY

Dominion—"To Please One Woman."  
 Pantages—"Lahoma."  
 Columbia—"Little Miss Rebellion."  
 Variety—"Heliotrope."  
 Romano—"Behold My Wife."  
 Royal—"The Scoffer."

pealing and, at times, startling manner with some little discussed phase of our social life.

## PANTAGES

The Outlaw, the Cynic and the Girl fought and toiled for life in the vast plains of No Man's Land, that huge strip of land that figured conspicuously in the history of the Southwest. The Outlaw's past was known to none save himself. The Cynic had spent the better part of his life trying to keep ahead of civilization. The

Girl was a waif of the desert whom these two kindly men had adopted and cared for with the tenderness of a woman.

The adventures and romance of these three are told in "Lahoma," the Edgar Lewis picture showing to-day at Pantages Theatre. It is a picture-tur of John Breckenridge Ellis's novel, an exciting outdoor tale of the big, fighting West.

## COLUMBIA

Dorothy Gish, Paramount star, and thirty members of her company, were in a thrilling train wreck near Charleston, S. C., recently, while returning to New York, following the taking of scenes for Miss Gish's new picture, "Little Miss Rebellion," now showing at the Columbia Theatre. Miss Gish, accompanied by her mother, was seated in a rear coach, when the engine and four forward coaches left the rails near Micro, N. C., as the result of a speed rail. The engineer and fireman were instantly killed and more than fifty passengers were seriously injured. Owing to their location near the rear of the train, none of Miss Gish's company were injured, and all of the players, including Miss Gish, administered as best they could to the needs of the injured until medical help could be secured from the little town of Micro. "It was a close call," says Miss Gish, "and all of us are very thankful for our escape." The little star and the members of her company took up a collection for the families of the engineer and fireman. This attended to, they proceeded to Washington by special train, arriving in New York eighteen hours late.

## VARIETY

Alice Hale (Hasdock) is being educated at a convent. As far as she knows, she is an orphan. Spending a vacation at the home of her chum, Mabel Andrews, daughter of a millionaire, Alice meets Mabel's brother Jimmie, and they become engaged.

Alice's father, "Heliotrope Harry" Hasdock, is serving a sentence in the penitentiary. Formerly a Beau Brummel among his pals, Hasdock derived his nickname from a fondness for heliotrope perfume and from his habit of always wearing a sprig of heliotrope in his button hole. Though Alice does not know of his existence, he worships her from afar. Consequently it comes as a crushing blow to "Heliotrope Harry" to receive from his pal, Spike Foley, a letter warning him that Mollie Hasdock, "Heliotrope's" wayward wife, is planning to blackmail Alice and her millionaire fiance with the revelation that Alice's father is a convict. Pleading with the warden and then with Governor Mercer, "Heliotrope" secures a pardon from prison in order to protect his daughter. But first he is forced to give his word that no harm will be done to Mollie Hasdock by his hands.

Dressing in his old-time elegant style, "Heliotrope" goes to the fashionable hotel where Alice and the Andrews family are stopping and where Mollie Hasdock has followed them. By smuggling heliotrope into his wife's room and onto her table in the hotel restaurant and keeping the scent of the perfume constantly near her, "Heliotrope" apprises Mrs. Hasdock of his presence, though unseen, and so terrifies her with the fear of his revenge that she flees from the hotel to her former boarding house. There "Heliotrope" follows. She barricades her door against him and awaits with drawn revolver. When "Heliotrope" shows his face at the door, she follows him. Leading her to Spike Foley's room, "Heliotrope," with his pal for a witness, allows his wife to shoot and kill him.

So Mollie Hasdock goes to prison for life and can no longer ruin Alice's happiness. "Heliotrope," keeping his word, has not laid a hand on her. Over the wedding of Alice and Jimmie he seems to hover like a benevolent spirit. "Heliotrope" will be shown at the Variety all this week.

## "THE SCOFFER" IS FINE DRAMA

Engagement at Royal Opened To-day With Notable Company

Merit pervades the whole atmosphere of Allan Dwan's production of "The Scoffer," which opened an engagement at the Royal Victoria Theatre to-day, and which may well be listed as one of the very best photodramas of the current season.

While the play in itself is unusual in its power to command undivided attention, artistic acting on the part of no less than ten brilliant photoplayers is an outstanding feature worthy of praise. Mary Thurman, James Kirkwood and Noah Beery share first honors, each of these well-known artists drawing character studies which are memorable. Rhea Mitchell, Phil McCullough, Ward Crane, Eugenie Bessner and Bernard Durning also display rare knowledge of dramatic proportions in enacting the roles entrusted to them, while John Burton and George Stone do their bits faultlessly. At times the dramatic acting reaches great heights and inspires to applause through admiration of consummate artistry. The brilliant directorial ability of Mr. Dwan is discernible throughout a production which ranks with the best contributions to the modern screen.

The story which is cleverly evolved in "The Scoffer" concerns the misfortunes of one Dr. Stannard Wayne, who brought the villainous plotting of his bosom friend, Dr. Arthur Richards, is forced to serve a five-year prison term for an illegal operation performed by Richards. All of his life Dr. Wayne had been an intensely religious man, but he emerges from prison a scoffer, because he ranks at injustice. In his search for peace and forgetfulness Wayne goes to a sparsely settled section of the country, but his long journey is in vain, for he stumbles on to his former wife, with his deadly enemy, Richards, and is plunged into new troubles. However, in the same distant clime he meets the girl who finally through love exerts an influence over him which acts as his salvation. In the end the scoffer is convinced that he is wrong and renews his faith in humanity to find happiness at last in the devotion of a true woman.

## PRINCESS

The next offering of the Mildred Page Players promises to be the big treat of the season. "Turn To The Right" is the greatest success New York has known in the last ten years. There is a great plot, a splendid comedy theme, and great heart interest. The mother part is most beautiful showing how mothers love redeems, builds and protects its object and how the yearning for mother love (partly hidden, perhaps completely obscured by error) which lives in the hearts of all, will reach out hungrily toward the mother in the heart of any good woman whose loving soul prompts her to mother the motherless. There are boys and girls and bad old men as well as the lovely mother in "Turn To The Right."

At the first performance of "Turn To The Right" the prize (an enlarged portrait of Miss Page) will be given from the stage to the one guessing nearest the correct number of words spoken by Byron Aldern in the part of "Jimmy" in the play "I Walked Jimmy." The winner must be in the Theatre to receive the prize, if the first name read is not present the name of the person sending the next nearest guess will be read and if that person is not there the next nearest and so on until some one is found in the house. Remember you may be the winner and not being present will disqualify you and someone else who is present will get the prize.

A children's contest is offered to see who can make the most words out of the name Byron Aldern, prizes \$3.00 and \$2.00 will be given Saturday January 29, from the stage. Winners must be present. "Turn To The Right" will begin Wednesday night.

## DUMBELLS COMING.

The "Dumbells" will offer their second, and entirely new version of the brilliant overseas revue, "Biff, Bing, Bang," at the Royal Victoria for two nights only commencing Monday next.

The famous "Dumbells" need no preliminary introduction to local people, as their engagement here last year was unanimously voted the brightest event of the theatrical season.

The new revue is modelled along similar lines to the last year's show, with the addition of two feature acts that place the performance in the realm of elaborate musical productions. S. Morgan Powell, the noted dramatic critic of the Montreal Star, in a criticism of the "Dumbells" performance in that city, where they played three weeks to the biggest business ever done by any two dollar attraction, said of R. D. Hamilton, as "Marjorie": "I have no hesitation in saying that Ross Hamilton as Marjorie proves himself a female impersonator superior in make-up and illusion to either Julian Eltinge or Bert Errol, while his voice, a remarkable falsetto utilized with genuine skill and artistry would deceive most people. 'Marjorie' is quite the most fascinating female creation any Montreal stage has seen in twenty years. Ross Hamilton's portrayal is the essence of refinement, and alike in gesture, in nuances, and in pictorial quality it is a remarkable achievement."

Such praise from a critic of Mr. Powell's wide experience, is enough to turn the head of most girls; however, "Marjorie" is an unassuming young fellow, fond of outdoor sports, preferring to be one of the gang, rather than an individual star.

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## ROMANO TO-DAY

"Behold My Wife" WEEKLY MAGAZINE

## DOMINION TO-DAY

To Please One Woman  
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## VARIETY TO-DAY

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Clara Horton will play the leading ingenue role in T. Hayes Hunter's production of "The Light in the Clearing" for the Dial Film Company. This winsome and diminutive Miss is most popular in the Hollywood cinema colony and is in constant demand.

Charles Esch of LaRosa, O., has advertised in U.S. papers that he will sell his services for the remainder of his life for \$10,000.

## Merchant,

### What of Your Stock?

How fine it looked when you bought it.

How pleased you were at the thought of the trade you would attract with it.

And you did.

But, stay! Was the trade as good as you expected?

No! Then what was the reason?

Conditions against it? Maybe, but the reason goes deeper than that.

You used good judgment when you bought and your selling prices were right. The reason was that the Public—that is, sufficient numbers of "him" or "her"—did not know it.

Your stock had no more attraction to them than that of any other merchant. So they did not come to you to buy.

That's all. No more, no less.

You know very well that if you could have attracted a sufficient number of people into your store, and an average proportion of them had become purchasers, you would have sold all of your season's goods.

"Very well," you say, "but how am I to get the Public into my store in the sufficient numbers that you speak of?"

Advertise!

"But," you answer, "I do advertise."

True enough, but do you put the same quality of brain into your advertising that you do into your buying?

This is not meant to be impertinent. It is said in all seriousness, in the desire by newspaper publishers to have their newspapers be of the greatest possible service to you.

In other words, the more care and the more study you give to your local newspaper advertising, the less care and the less thought will you need to give to the selling of merchandise after season.

Not to use your local newspapers with all the skill and judgment that you can command is to deny yourself the services of the greatest trade promoter within the use of man.

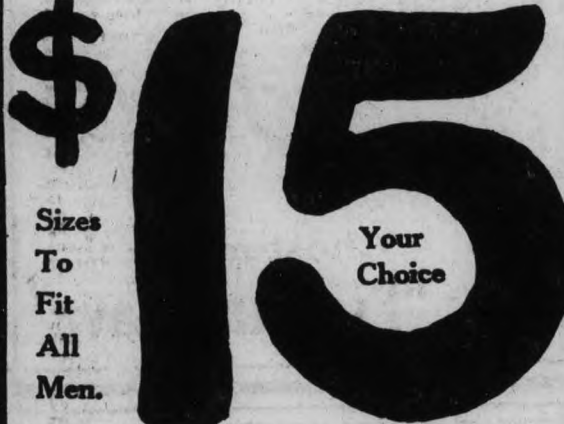
The publisher of this paper will give you the benefit of his advice on all matters pertaining to the typographical arrangement of your copy and, whenever possible, assist you in the preparation of it.



We Could Get More For These Uncalled-For Suits & O'coats But We Could Not Give More

THIS "Friend-Making Sale" of Tours is proving to men that it is possible to get better value than ever at the English & Scotch Woollen Co. in the Uncalled-for Suits and Overcoats now being offered at a price that is actually less than the cost of the material in the clothes.

Any Uncalled-For Suit or O'Coat



All Blue Serge Suits Values Up to \$45 Included

ODD PANTS Your Choice \$3.95

These Prices are Less than the Cost of Material alone

English & Scotch Woollen Co.

1317 Government Street

Out-of-Town Men (You will save many dollars by attending Our Uncalled-For Suit and Overcoat Sale.)

Invoke Fair Wage Board to Stop Work on Rupert

Metal Trades Council Protests Wage Cut On Work For Government; Mr. Yarrow Explains Pay Scale.

The fight against the reduction in pay at Yarrow's shipyard is expected by labor men to take a different appearance as a result of action decided upon this morning by the Metal Trades Council, at a session which sat to a late hour.

It was believed by the delegates present that the reduction in wages on the repairing of the steamer Prince Rupert is in contravention of the Dominion Government Fair Wage Regulations, which it was maintained apply to the steamer as a Government-owned vessel, and a delegation of men will leave for Vancouver this evening to lay a complaint before Dominion Fair Wage Officer Macdonald.

The arguments in support of this contention will at the same time be laid before the Vancouver Metal Trades Council, who will be asked to support the stand taken by the Victoria district organization.

Carpenters Preparing. It was also stated to this morning's gathering that Organized Workmen of the Carpenters, is due to arrive this evening to make investigations of the craft, into the possibility of calling out all the carpenters employed at the Yarrow plant in support of the men already on strike and also as a step in the fight against the cut in pay.

Shipyard Scale. Mr. Yarrow said to The Times this morning: "Since the cut in wages has come into effect the mechanics in the iron-working trade are receiving a minimum of \$8.20 per day of eight hours, and when working overtime, which is often the case in repair work, their rate is \$1.55 an hour.

The patternmakers' rate since the reduction is \$7.35 per day of eight hours, and this trade is still out on strike. A decrease in wages of ten per cent has been put into effect in Vancouver, which in most cases means a larger reduction than the fifty per cent decrease we are demanding.

A responsible representative from the Todd shipyard, Seattle, was here the other day, and he stated to me that the 44 cent decrease in wages had been put into effect at their plant, and that all work was proceeding as usual. Mr. Yarrow explained: "I am glad to say that we have the complete co-operation and support of the Standard Oil Company of California, the owners of the Atlas, as they realize it is more in their interest as shipowners than in ours, that a reduction in wages has been made.

"We have about twenty-five men doing good work on the bottom of the steamer Atlas, and any men who require work and apply to us will immediately be taken on, as long as they are able to do the work." Despite the strike among the iron-workers, the S. S. Canadian Explorer was made ready for sea by Yarrow's after work had been rushed on her over the week-end, and the vessel passed up to Vancouver last night.

Work on the Algernon and G. T. P. steamer Prince Rupert is progressing and the Algernon is expected to be ready for service very shortly.

Comes From States. J. Reed, Pacific Coast district organizer, has come to Victoria from Portland, and he attended the meeting of the boltermakers last night. A large crowd was in attendance, and after a great deal of discussion it was decided to "stand pat," and to see the fight through to a finish or in other words until some understanding is reached with the employers.

The blacksmiths also held a meeting last night, and decided to stand shoulder to shoulder with their brother strikers.

Distress in the families of the men who have quit work to enforce their demands on their employers is being alleviated by the boltermakers at the Victoria Machinery Depot and other plants unaffected by the strike, a day's pay every week being contributed by each worker for this purpose.

ON EXTENDED HOLIDAY J. A. Taylor, Formerly Local Manager of Royal Bank, Visiting His Mother Here.

His many friends in Victoria will be interested to learn of the return of J. A. Taylor, former manager of the local branch of the Royal Bank of Canada, who is visiting his mother, Mrs. G. R. Taylor. Mr. Taylor left Victoria about two years ago, when he was transferred to the Winnipeg branch. His success in the more important position in the headquarters at Montreal, which he still holds, is a considerable achievement.

Evidence that the vessels now operating on the present schedule are heavily under the care of the freight that is offering is found in the fact that only last week the company brought the freighter Stanley Dollar to this port from San Francisco to take on a cargo for New York. That the company is making a strenuous effort to build up this trade is shown by the fact that a boat which could have secured a full cargo at San Francisco was diverted to this port to accommodate British Columbia shippers.

Advantage of Water Route. Whether or not the service will be extended to the United Kingdom is a matter which the heads of the firm are considering. On one or two occasions vessels of the Dollar Company have been sent across the Atlantic to the United Kingdom. The Dollar made one trip to the United Kingdom and Amsterdam. It is known that for some time Capt. Dollar has had his eye on the development of a trade between the United Kingdom and the Far East, realizing that by an all-water route the shipper will be given the great advantage of a home delivery.

A DIVORCE GRANTED After many years of patient suffering you can be divorced from yours by applying Putnam's Corn Extractor, which acts in 24 hours without pain. Refuse a substitute because "Putnam's" is the remedy that is safe and painless, 25c. per bottle at all dealers.

F. J. Haynes was appointed president of the Dodge Brothers Motor Car Co., of Detroit.

PACKERS ANNOUNCE OPERATING LOSS Short Alaska Pack Reported Dividends Paid by Investments and Insurance

The Alaska Packers' Association of San Francisco packed 620,978 cases of canned salmon and 191 barrels of salt salmon in 1920. It is revealed by the association's annual report. The salmon was divided as follows: Sockeye, 19,735 cases; red, 416,564 cases; king, 16,758 cases; coho, 20,497 cases; pink, 117,715 cases, and chum, 20,027 cases. The association owns 15 plants in Alaska and one on Puget Sound, the latter being located at Selmahook.

The 1920 output represents a short pack. The year's operating losses amounted to \$757,462. In the item of depreciation, \$62,247 has been written-off the value of the plants, giving a present book value of \$3,967,465. Improvements and repairs on the association's big canneries fleet last year totalled \$283,588. The present book value of the fleet is given at \$1,165,100. The fleet consists of eight square riggers, 11 barques, one sloop, two schooners and 75 steamboats and launches, a total of 97 vessels.

Profitable Investment. Net earnings from the association's insurance fund, totalled \$600,658, a dividend of \$2 per share being paid from the interest income. From the \$3,331,350 par value of the association's Liberty Bonds, a bond dividend of \$20 par value a share was also paid.

NEW CUNARD LINER NOW WESTBOUND Albania Is First of Post War Fleet of 13 New Steamers

The Cunard liner S. S. "Albania" is the first of post war fleet of thirteen new steamers launched at Greenock April 17, 1920, which started on her maiden trip from Liverpool 5 p. m. January 19, 1921. She will make her first sailing from New York February 8, 1921, and will carry one class of passengers, the first class accommodation for 480-most cabins are fitted with two or four berths, others are arranged for the inclusion of children so that an entire family may occupy one large stateroom.

The S. S. "Albania" is a vessel of 12,000 tons, length 540 feet, breadth 47 feet, depth 46 ft. She is of shelter deck type, having forecastle deck, two complete 'tween decks and Orlop 'tween deck. Being a one class ship all passengers may be accommodated in the most comfortable and convenient quarters. There is a large lounge and smoking room, conveniently situated in close proximity to extensive covered and open promenading areas. Thermic tank system heating and ventilating has been installed throughout passenger's quarters which are located on A and B decks. Propelling machinery consists of two sets of Brown Curtis turbines of the high speed type. There is complete wireless installation and submarine signalling apparatus. The S. S. "Albania" runs regularly on the New York Canada England service.

U. S. INCREASES MERCHANT VESSELS Lloyd's Reports on Construction During 1920

New York, Jan. 25.—The United States led the world in the total of gross tons of merchant vessels launched in 1920, according to figures made public by Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

The total launches in the shipyards of the world in 1920, were 6,843,000 gross tons, or 20 per cent, almost 1,300,000 from the 1919 figures, but an increase of more than 400,000 over 1918. The total for the United States was 2,476,000 tons, while Great Britain had 2,065,000 tons.

Lloyd's points out that at the beginning of 1920 the United States and Great Britain had on hand practically the same amount of construction to be completed, and credit American yards with greater speed than those in Great Britain, as this country exceeded England's total by 20 per cent.

The decline in the total world tonnage launched was attributed to the decline in the American shipbuilding programme, American launching being 1,600,000 tons less than in the previous year. British production showed a gain of more than 400,000 tons. Other countries launched a total of about 1,300,000 tons during 1920, or about 20,000 tons less than in 1919.

INCREASES FREIGHT RATES Hamilton, Bermuda, Jan. 25.—(By Canadian Press)—The Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, operating four ships from Halifax, N.S., to Bermuda and the West Indies, has advanced its freight rates by 25 per cent, both outward and homeward. Prior to the outbreak of the war the rates from Canada to Bermuda were on the basis of \$0.50 per cubic foot and \$0.12 per cubic foot measurement, plus 5 per cent prime. At the outbreak of the war a surcharge of 25 per cent was added; in May, 1918, another surcharge was imposed, making the rate on dry barrels \$0.50 and the measurement rate \$0.20 per cubic foot. In August, 1919, the rates were again advanced—to \$1 per dry barrel and \$0.50 per cubic foot. The new increase, now in force, puts the rate at \$1.25 per barrel and \$0.32 per cubic foot.

A Kansas City woman was awarded \$5,000 in her suit against a theatre for injuries she received when an acrobat suspended on a cable struck her with his body as he passed over the spectators.

Let's Pack Up and Go to California "Winter's Summer Garden"

Sooner or later everyone goes to California, where the bright, warm sunshine greets you; where the delightful climate, the sweet scented flowers and the lure of the sea welcomes you to this land of beauty and charm.

Four Daily Trains "The Shasta" "California Express" "Oregonian" "San Francisco Express"

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AMERICAN LINE N. Y.-PLYMOUTH-CHEBROUGH Koonland ... Feb. 5 Mar. 12 Apr. 16 Lapland ... Feb. 12 Mar. 19 Apr. 23 Finland ... Feb. 19 Mar. 26 Apr. 29 Zealand ... Feb. 26 Apr. 2 May 7

RED STAR LINE N. Y.-PLYMOUTH-CHEBROUGH Koonland ... Jan. 27 Mar. 10 Apr. 14 Lapland ... Feb. 3 Mar. 16 Apr. 20 Finland ... Feb. 10 Mar. 23 Apr. 27 Zealand ... Feb. 17 Mar. 30 Apr. 3

WHITE STAR LINE N. Y.-CHEBROUGH-SOUTHAMPTON Adriatic ... Jan. 19 Feb. 16 Apr. 6

NEW YORK-LIVERPOOL Cedric ... Feb. 5 Mar. 12 Apr. 16 Cedric ... Feb. 12 Mar. 19 Apr. 23 Megantha ... Feb. 19 Mar. 26 Apr. 29 PHILADELPHIA-HALIFAX-LIVERPOOL Haverford ... From Philadelphia Mar. 11 Mar. 14 Haverford ... Apr. 23 Apr. 26

N. Y.-BOSTON-GIBRALTAR-NAPLES-GENOA Canopic ... Jan. 27 Feb. 26 Apr. 23 Cedric ... Feb. 3 Mar. 16 Apr. 20 For reservations and tickets apply to local agents or Company's Office, C. F. MACKENZIE, Manager, 419 Second Ave., Seattle, Wash. Phone Main 111.

Ships at a Glance TO ARRIVE. Katori Maru, Orient, Jan. 30. Montague, Orient, Jan. 31. Empress of Asia, Orient, Jan. 31. TO DEPART. Toyohashi Maru, Orient, Sailed 22nd. Fushimi Maru, Orient, Jan. 27. Alabama Maru, Orient, Jan. 28. Makura, Orient, Feb. 5. Canadian Exporter, to Vancouver tonight from Esquimalt.

COASTWISE SAILINGS. For Vancouver. Princess Victoria leaves 2.15 p.m. daily. Princess Adelaide or Princess Alice leaves 11.45 p.m. daily except Saturday. From Vancouver. Princess Adelaide or Princess Alice arrives 7 a.m. daily. Princess Victoria or Alice arrives 3 p.m. daily.

For Seattle. Princess George, 11 a.m., Sundays. Sol Duc leaves 10.30 a.m. daily. Princess Victoria or Alice leaves 1.15 p.m. daily. From Seattle. Sol Duc for Seattle 4.30 p.m. Sundays. Sol Duc arrives 5 a.m. daily. Princess Victoria arrives 1.15 p.m. daily.

IN TOUCH WITH OTHER WORLD The Impatient Patron—Waiter, didn't you hear me rap on the table? The Patient Waiter—Was that your rapping on the table, sir? I heard you, but I thought it was spirits.—Detroit News.

HEAVY LOSS Little Bobby—Say Uncle Jack. Uncle Jack—Well, what is it, little pal? Little Bobby—Who loses all the fault our neighbors find. UTILIZE TIMES WANT ADS.

Canada's Scenic Route Through Canadian Rockies MOUNT ROBSON JASPER PARK Comfort—Courtesy—Service assured on the "Continental Limited" Through Daily Train to EDMONTON SASKATOON WINNIPEG PORT ARTHUR OTTAWA MONTREAL Compartment Observation Cars Standard and Tourist Sleepers Alternate Routes via Grand Trunk Pacific Steamships to Prince Rupert and Rail Line. S.S. "Prince George" sails Sundays at 11.00 a.m. G.T.P. Ticket Office, 900 Wharf St. Tourist and Travel Bureau, 525 Fort Street.

STEAMER ARRIVALS. Finland, at Plymouth, from New York. Yokohama, Jan. 20.—Arrived: Suwa Maru, Seattle. Antwerp, Jan. 21.—Arrived: Eastport Mariner, Tacoma and Seattle. London, Jan. 21.—Arrived: Str Statesman, from Seattle via San Francisco, Balboa and Cristobal. Honolulu, Jan. 22.—Sailed: Str Marama, for Sydney via Vancouver. Arrived: Str Marama, from Vancouver, B. C. Shanghai, Jan. 26.—Arrived: Str Bessie Dollar, from Vancouver, B. C. via way ports. Sailed: Str Edmore, for Dalren.



# CANADA LIFE HAS SET RECORDS IN 1920

CANADA LIFE policyholders are scattered far and wide, and it is with the desire of reaching them in the quickest and most readable form that this report is being published in the newspapers by the Company. A booklet containing even more complete particulars will be mailed upon request.

## MANY PROOFS OF SUCCESS

The unusual demand for life insurance continued without abatement throughout 1920. General improvement in branch organization continues; especially in Great Britain.

Advantage was taken of a favorable opportunity to enter Hawaii, under most promising conditions, and with immediate success.

In addition to the regular annual inspection by the Canadian Insurance Department the Company has recently been submitted to a most thorough and exhaustive examination at the hands of the Insurance Commissioners of Michigan, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Minnesota, the result being very satisfying to all concerned.

There has been no unusual factor affecting the death rate adversely.

The net Surplus Earnings for the year amount to \$2,163,000, the greatest in the history of the Company.

Interest earnings are one of the chief contributors to the surplus, and the average rate of interest has been again increased to 5.10 per cent. per annum.

Dividends paid to policyholders were exceptionally large in 1920, being \$2,723,000.

Our ultimate aim is that this company should be represented by the field only by those who are giving their entire service and who have armed themselves with the very best of knowledge through a course of study. We believe that this course of study should be sold only by experts.

A Thorough Examination In addition to the regular annual inspection by the Canadian Insurance Department the company has recently been submitted to a most thorough and exhaustive examination at the hands of the Insurance Commissioners of Michigan, Illinois, Pennsylvania and Minnesota, whose representatives jointly and concurrently spent several weeks in the home office. Every possible facility was afforded them and a minute inspection was made of all office systems, the result was altogether satisfactory to the commissioners and gratifying to you, the policyholders. The report, as follows: "We find that the Canada Life Assurance Company is in an excellent financial condition, and that its affairs are being managed economically and efficiently."

It deals with the many different branches of the work there are special departments conducted by responsible officers and men. The investments of the company are carefully selected. The foregoing report shows that the company has a very wide margin of safety over a wide range of suitable securities.

"We have had the co-operation of the officers of the company and all the information and data required have been promptly furnished. In fact, every assistance has been rendered to make the examination thorough and complete."

Surplus Earnings As the last of our war claims was provided for in the previous year, and as we have in the past twelve months been free from epidemic influenza, our surplus has increased, so that we have returned to a normal, or more properly a subnormal, loss, as the actual deaths have been only 55 per cent. of those expected. This saving from this source again shows a very material increase and has an important part in the creation of net surplus earnings of \$2,163,000 for the year. This sum again constitutes a very large margin of safety over a wide range of suitable securities.

The interest rate One of the chief contributors to surplus is, of course, the interest income, and you will be gratified to learn that we have again been able to increase the average rate upon your investments to 5.10 per cent. Throughout the year it has been possible to acquire securities of undoubted value at prices to yield uncommonly high rates. We availed ourselves of the opportunity to buy certain sections of very excellent mortgages on a basis to yield approximately 8 per cent. net. The security was all thoroughly inspected by our own officers and found to be most attractive. There has been a renewed demand for mortgage loans, a very considerable number of which are required to cover accumulated borrowings from banks. To the extent that this is the case, those lending upon mortgage are relieving the demand upon our banks. Interest payments reflect to some extent another crop failure, in certain sections which have suffered similarly before, and the actual price of wheat, which is so much below that anticipated. Our borrowers, however, have on the whole met their obligations as promptly as could be fairly expected of them, and, as usual, we have not included in the asset described as "interest outstanding" any sums in arrears which appear doubtful of collection. While the overdue interest is some-

## THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS OF INTEREST TO POLICYHOLDERS GROUP INSURANCE

### Mr. HERBERT C. COX REVIEWS BUSINESS OF 1920 CANADIAN CONDITIONS FAVORABLE FOR FUTURE

In the early part of the year general business conditions continued much as they had been in the previous twelve months. Bank deposits were growing; commercial credits were increasing, although under keen scrutiny; manufacturers were placing enlarged orders for raw materials; wholesalers and retailers were straining to implement their stocks; labor, through the strike or less forcible means, was demanding and receiving higher wages; the cost of all commodities—necessities as well as luxuries—was still holding at high level. In short, Government and the public were still protesting against the prices they were called upon to pay. In the early Summer the realization seemed suddenly to come that the way to secure reduced prices was to cease buying. The thought quickly crystallized into action, and one commodity after another has felt the full force of public disapproval. As a result we were immediately plunged into that readjustment which we had contemplated but had looked for somewhat later. The reaction was felt first perhaps in the motor trade, followed by leathers and textiles, and later others. As public buying ceased, cancellations—against which there appears to be no adequate protection—poured in, in turn, where possible, passed them on to the producer of raw materials or ingredients. The stock markets, already affected, reflected the aggravated conditions, and the course of securities in general was markedly downward. The usual preparation for the moving of immense grain crops entails a reduction in ordinary credits, but in the early fall other factors entered into the situation, bringing a more severe curtailment of facilities and a widespread decrease in activity. The inevitable laying off of labor commenced. For a time those so released entered other industries which had not yet felt the pinch, but latterly such employment has been more difficult and many skilled workmen find themselves partially or wholly out of work.

benefited had it been possible for her to do so.

Effect Upon Loan Business One effect of the adverse exchange and the high interest rates prevailing in Great Britain which will be increasingly felt in Canada is the difficulty, amounting almost to impossibility, of retaining British monies borrowed by our loan companies for the purposes for investment in mortgage loans in this country. The margin between the rates demanded in England and those obtainable on proper security here is so narrow as to render the profit on such transactions extremely small and they will be seriously curtailed by the loan and other companies depending upon borrowed funds for their investment resources must look in much greater measure to the sale of their debentures at home, but in the latter direction they are not yet prepared to be capped for some years by the competition of long term government and municipal securities, which can now be obtained at very low rates. Without disparagement of these institutions, which are bearing the burden of a condition for which they are in no way responsible, it is fair to assume that they will not be able to keep up as they have done with the demands of a rapidly expanding country for mortgage loans for farm development. The other great source of supply for this purpose—the life assurance companies—will therefore have to be prepared to undertake a larger share of this mortgage investment which is so essential to our national growth. It is perhaps not realized that our companies have already loaned most importantly in this way, but their steady influx of funds requiring safe and remunerative investment will enable them to proceed more actively with profit to the country and to themselves. Some of them already have ample encumbrances and facilities established for the prosecution of such business.

favorable physique and morals, or better still, to sift them out before they leave their country of origin, than to trust them here and produce an entire district with some objectionable infection. Granted that the urgent need of young countries such as our own is population in large volume and more quickly than natural increase can provide, and it is gratifying that the past twelve months has shown an important accession in this respect, but care must be had, just as in a business undertaking, not to sacrifice quality to quantity or soundness to size.

The visits of the representatives of the British Press Association and the British Chamber of Commerce were history-making events in relation to our future. Both bodies made extended tours among us and every facility was placed at their disposal to enable them to learn at first hand not only of our natural resources and potential wealth, but also of our manufacturing resources, of our banking and financial system, of our social and educational institutions, of our home life and our recreations. In fact they were particularly struck by the intimate knowledge of Canada and her people, of her aims and possibilities which, as it is disseminated through such keen and thoughtful observation, cannot fail to broaden the sympathy between the two countries and result in a wider interchange of opinions and commodities to the great advantage of both.

is now in the Province a less number than a year ago, but it is hoped that this condition will soon right itself. The dairy products of Alberta, for which she has become noted, will reach a value of \$35,000,000 for the year.

Municipal Finances Last year reference was made to the financial difficulties of some of the Western municipalities. It is pleasing to note that the Provincial authorities of Alberta have, through their Municipal Finance Commission, a non-political body, come to the aid of several of their struggling municipalities, and it would appear that they are rendering valuable assistance to them in the adjustment of their affairs. It is hoped that Saskatchewan will soon follow this municipal policy in that Province are much in need of relief.

Netwithstanding payments to policyholders during the year amounting to \$8,254,883, the assets were increased by \$6,756,668.

The assets of your Company are in the very best class of investments. For instance, bonds of the Dominion and Provincial Governments now represent 22 per cent. of the total assets, having been increased by three million dollars during 1920.

Mortgage loans, another very high class of investments, were also increased by three million dollars, and represent 33 per cent. of the assets.

A particularly good feature of the year's decrease in the percentage of loans on policies from 14.02 to 13.60 of the assets. While, of course, this is a perfectly good security, it is a satisfactory fact that the policyholders appreciate the advisability of paying off their loans.

Frequently a policyholder will pay off a little at a time, thus gradually reducing the amount due, and the Company is always ready to assist by accepting these small payments whenever convenient. In the meantime, while the loan exists, there is an easy and convenient way, open to most policyholders in good health, to "insure" the loan, so that it will not be a burden on the face of the policy, if death occurs within a certain time, and while the loan is being paid off. A letter to the Home Office at Toronto will bring particulars as to this.

It is understood to be the intention of the Government to introduce at the approaching session of Parliament a number of amendments to the Insurance Act which will make that already excellent instrument still more comprehensive. It has been suggested that one of the chief additions to its provisions should be the granting of power to the companies to transact more than one class of insurance so that each of them under certain conditions will be able to undertake the various branches of life, health, and accident insurance. The combination is quite common and successful in Great Britain and might eventually make for economy in the conduct of management, supervision and other items.

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LISTEN, SON! PAPA'S GIVING YOU NO PENNIES TO BE GOOD. YOU'D BETTER RUN ALONG TO SCHOOL OR YOU'LL BE LATE!

MUTT, DO YOU MEAN TO SAY YOU NEVER GIVE CICCERO ANY MONEY FOR BEING GOOD?

DIDN'T YOUR MOTHER EVER GIVE YOU ANY PENNIES FOR BEING GOOD WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE?

MY WIFE: YOU'VE BEEN GOOD FOR NOTHING ALL YOUR LIFE. THEN, HAVEN'T YOU?



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The License Inspector is directed to proceed against all delinquents forthwith

EDWIN C. SMITH, Treasurer and Collector. 6743

UTILIZE TIMES WANT ADS.



City, Suburban and Country Real Estate—Houses, Lots and Acreage for Sale and Wanted

OWN YOUR HOME. \$1500—New 3 room cottage complete with hot and cold water, electric light, etc. chicken house, large lot \$2511; all fenced; close to school and car. \$2500 cash easy.

\$2500—Equilibrium—4 room modern cottage, complete with basement, etc. Large lot all in garden. Terms to arrange.

\$3000—LEE AVENUE, close to car and school, good 5 room modern cottage, well laid out. Large lot, 68x130. Terms. Good discount for cash.

\$4200—PERRWOOD ROAD (high part). Very fine 7 room residence, complete with built in garage, furnace, etc. Large electric furnace. (This is a good offer).

\$4000—FURNISHED. Six room, new and modern home, 3 bedrooms and bathroom, tiled for tile. All built-in features. Lot \$2511. Furniture is very good. and includes first class piano. Terms can be arranged.

Real Estate, Fire and Automobile Insurance Agent. Phone 1076. 1112 Broad Street. F. R. BROWN. This attractive 6-roomed bungalow with two lots situated on high ground just off Quarry Street. Bungalow contains living room with open fire place, large kitchen with built-in range, two bedrooms, bathroom, etc. There is an unfurnished attic with stairs, where more rooms could be had if desired. These lots have several nice oak trees. Terms.

\$3150—SPECIAL BUY TODAY. \$5000—A good 8-roomed house, modern, orn. barn, chicken house, etc. and one and three quarter acre of the choicest land possible. Only a mile and a half from the Post Office, 60 fruit trees. \$2000.00 cash handles. Balance easy.

\$3500—Haulin Street Bungalow. Buffet, open fireplace, beamed and paneled, separate bath and shower, tiled bathroom, painted. Good lot, chicken house, fruit trees.

\$3000—FAIRFIELD, bungalow of 4 rooms, bath and toilet, open fireplace, full basement, large lot, exceptionally well placed in first-class repair. Terms.

\$2500—OAK BAY, six-room modern bungalow containing living room with open fireplace, archway to dining room, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, tiled for tile, built-in features, wood lift from basement, piped for furnace. There are several good fruit trees on the lot. Clear title. Terms to arrange.

CLOSE IN FRUIT RANCH. \$1500—Large first-class land, about 100 acres, full bearing assorted fruit trees, numerous loams and other small fruits, timbered and fenced. 4-roomed cottage in good shape, barn for 4 head. Also chicken houses, high location, and paved road nearly all the way to property. Price only \$2500, on terms.

\$2800—FAIRFIELD, bungalow of 4 rooms, bath and toilet, open fireplace, full basement, large lot, exceptionally well placed in first-class repair. Terms.

\$2500—OAK BAY, six-room modern bungalow containing living room with open fireplace, archway to dining room, dining room, kitchen, bathroom, tiled for tile, built-in features, wood lift from basement, piped for furnace. There are several good fruit trees on the lot. Clear title. Terms to arrange.

\$2500—On high location, overlooking the city, a fully furnished four roomed cottage with two lots, 1/2 acre. Here you have every convenience, including poultry house and plenty of room for poultry and good garden. Reasonable cash payment and balance monthly. Call at once and let us show you this.

\$2500—On high location, overlooking the city, a fully furnished four roomed cottage with two lots, 1/2 acre. Here you have every convenience, including poultry house and plenty of room for poultry and good garden. Reasonable cash payment and balance monthly. Call at once and let us show you this.

WANTED. Listings of homes in high parts of Fairfield, 7 and 8 rooms. We have clients ready to buy, if your price is right. Please send us representative will call location and our representative will call for particulars.

\$2500—TRUE CALIFORNIA BUNGALOW of 7 rooms, all on one floor, reception and dining rooms on suite, built-in buffet with beamed and paneled walls. Three bedrooms and bathroom, finished in white enamel, tiled for tile, full basement, tiled for tile, full basement, tiled for tile. Lot \$2511. Furniture is very good. and includes first class piano. Terms can be arranged.

\$6000—SITUATE IN FAIRFIELD, handy to cars and close in, comparatively new semi-bungalow of 8 rooms, comprising living room, paneled and beamed, built-in buffet, cabinet kitchen, tiled for tile, room with fireplace, bedroom on ground floor, two bedrooms, tiled for tile, tiled for tile, tiled for tile. This house could not be duplicated for under \$8,000. Terms arranged.

SELECT COUNTRY ACREAGE. SITUATED at the junction of two main roads and within short distance of the beach, we have for sale a very desirable tract of 200 acres, with 1000 fruit trees, including poultry house and plenty of room for poultry and good garden. Reasonable cash payment and balance monthly. Call at once and let us show you this.

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PEMBERTON & SON. Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents. OFFERS ARE INVITED. FOR the purchase of a thoroughly well constructed 3-room residence, situated about half mile from centre of town, to Park and good location. The whole interior has been recently decorated and painted and contains complete kitchen. Large lot, in well kept lawn, with beautiful hedges surrounding the property. The local improvement taxes are all nearly paid up. The owner is leaving town and will consider any reasonable offer. Immediate possession can be given. Phone 2780 and we will take you to inspect the property.

ON THE WATER'S EDGE. AN ATTRACTIVE AND MODERN HOUSE of 8 well arranged rooms, comprising fine views of the Straits and Olympics. Large living room, 12x14, with an open fireplace, comfortable dining room with over modern fitting and convenience, light kitchen, pass pantry and large light kitchen, extra large lawn and well kept. Immediate possession can be given. Price \$5,500.

FAIRFIELD DISTRICT. WE have a wide range of listings of houses in all parts of the city, and if you are contemplating purchasing a home call at this office to see our list.

SMALL BUNGALOW of 4 rooms, in good condition; large lot. Price \$2,950.

FAIRFIELD DISTRICT. WE have a wide range of listings of houses in all parts of the city, and if you are contemplating purchasing a home call at this office to see our list.

WE HAVE FOR SALE THE FINEST FARM IN GORDON HEAD CONSISTING OF 30 ACRES. VERY best soil, all cultivated and at present in grain, no fence, with slope affording perfect drainage, good road frontage, property all fenced with wire, 3 never failing wells with Airpump pumps forcing water to every part of the farm, near paved road and within four miles of the City Hall; small orchard of about 100 bearing trees.

A modern, up-to-date bungalow, particularly well built and at present in first-class condition; this lovely home consists of parlor and dining room (separate), two very nice, bright rooms, large brick fireplace; a cosy little den heavily paneled in fir; large conservatory facing the south, making an ideal sun room; two good sized bedrooms with closets; large kitchen, bath, pantry, cooler, etc.; full sized cement basement, wood-lined ceiling, being dust proof as well as insuring greater warmth to the rooms above, vermin proof stoves, etc.; house stands on substantial stone foundation.

OWNER would sell in 6 and 8-acre parcels at \$1,000 per acre (including one of the cottages), or 20 acres, the house and outbuildings for \$25,000.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FIRST MORTGAGE ON IMPROVED REAL ESTATE. SWINERTON & MUGHALY, 640 Fort Street.

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FOR SALE. MODERN ROOMY HOUSE, with basement. Cost \$5,000, build to day. Just outside of one mile circle, off Douglas Street, 1/2 acre lot with fruit trees, immediate possession given. Price \$700 cash down, balance easy \$2,700. Terms at office.

GORDON HEAD, CHOICE ACREAGE. ACRES, all in small fruits, highly cultivated, 5000 ft. of water frontage, with three-roomed cottage with wide veranda on three levels, 1000 ft. of water frontage. Good dry cellar. House furnished. Part of property fenced with five-strand wire. Wooded, chicken house and run. Good bathhouse. Garden tools. PRICE COMPLETE, \$7,000. Terms arranged.

H. G. DALBY & CO., 624 View Street. Opp. Spencer's. SECOND-HAND DEALERS. NATHAN & LEVY, 1422 Government. Jewelry, musical and nautical instruments, tools, etc. Tel. 5446.

WARRANTY. WE buy rags, books, bottles, old newspapers and magazines, rubber tires, rubber shoes, old metals and all other articles. We pay for them. 2525 Ross Street.

WE buy absolutely top prices for good cash-off clothing, any kind, tools, stoves, heaters, furniture, etc. Phone 2713.

SHAWNIGAN LAKE. SUMMER COTTAGE. ONE ACRE, with 80 feet waterfrontage on West Arm, Shawnigan Lake. Three-roomed cottage with wide veranda on three levels, 1000 ft. of water frontage. Good dry cellar. House furnished. Part of property fenced with five-strand wire. Wooded, chicken house and run. Good bathhouse. Garden tools. PRICE COMPLETE, \$7,000. Terms arranged.

ROBERT S. DAY & SON. Real Estate, Financial and Insurance Agents. Phone 90. 620 Fort Street.

LOANS. RENTS. Suburban Shopping Basket. OAK BAY AND JUNCTION. BIG alteration sale at Gilmartin's Dry Goods Store, 124 Oak Bay Avenue. Stock must be cleared out. Entrance at side door.

FURRIER. FURS remodelled, repaired or retined, or make up your own fur skins. All work guaranteed. Sanders, 1145 Oak Bay Ave. Phone 6612.

DEPARTMENTAL STORE. O WHEAT BAKERY when you slip on our Kozy Korner slippers. Prices from 31 up. Angus, 1255 Esquimaux Street. Phone 4120.

CORY & POWER. 1214 Douglas Street. Two Phones, 1466 and 6254.

A. W. JONES, LTD. Phone 199. 1002 Broad St.

CHEAP ACREAGE. NORTH SAANICH—5 acres, all cleared, fronting on good road, excellent soil. Price \$1,500.

WATERFRONTAGE, Gordon Head, 5 acres good land, fronting on the beach with easy access to the water. Price per acre \$1,000.

FAIRFIELD. A modern home of seven rooms, with one bedroom and bathroom, dining room, kitchen, den and study, tiled for tile, tiled for tile, tiled for tile. Lot \$2511. Furniture is very good. and includes first class piano. Terms can be arranged.

RECEPTION HALL, paneled walls, living room with open fireplace, dining room, kitchen, tiled for tile, tiled for tile, tiled for tile. Lot \$2511. Furniture is very good. and includes first class piano. Terms can be arranged.

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CAMPBELL BROS., 1200 Government Street. Phone 9574 and 6197.

A. S. BARTON, WISE & CO., 111 Pemberton Block.

DUNLOP & FOOT, Barristers, Solicitors, Notaries, Etc. 115 Fort Street.

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Business and Professional Directory. ART GLASS. A. T. GLASS—Established 1909. Phone 1571. LEaded lights. Glass sold. Sashes glazed. A. F. ROY, 1115 Yates St. F. Q. B.

Don't Close Your Eyes to this Fact. CHIMNEY SWEEPING. NEAL. The Chimney Sweep Phone 1013.

THE Colbert Plumbing & Heating Co. Phone 853. 755 Broughton Street.

MAYNARD & SONS. Auctioneers. 727-733 Pandora Avenue. To-morrow, 1.30 p.m. Will kept.

Household Furniture and Furnishings. Including in part: Very good Bell Organ, suitable for hall or church; Mah. Parlor Furniture, Fumed Oak and Golden Oak Diningroom Furniture, several good All-Brass and Iron Beds, Springs and Mattresses, Dressers and Stands, Ranges, Kitchenware, etc. Full particulars later.



**NORTH DENIES INTENTION TO ACCEPT DEFEAT**

**Opposition Will Materialize Shortly, He States to Times**

Developments with regard to the city police commissionership election are expected to materialize within a day or two.

Joseph North, who led the first choice on January 13, but who subsequently was eliminated by Messrs. Linklater and Peden, informed The Times to-day that he had by no means abandoned the contest, and that the public would know his plans very shortly.

"I have been inundated with telephonic inquiries, and letters from scores of people I have never met," said Mr. North, "urging me to stay in this fight to the finish, and they may rest assured that I am in it until the courts decide the legality of the election."

"I entered the civic field this year as a protest against existing conditions and, judging by the numerous strangers who have proffered me their support, the principle at stake is a highly popular one. I have been stopped on the street and offered campaign funds to rent halls for meetings, canvassers, and so forth, by people in all walks of life."

"It is these people whom I do not wish to disappoint. In other words, I am in the hands of my friends and I am pleased to say that I did not know I possessed so many. Let the public know that Joe North is behind them just as energetically as they are behind him and that something will 'break' within a day or two."

**COMMISSION ELECTED TO PROBE ECONOMIC PROBLEM IN EUROPE**

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of anarchy and Bolshevism, has been before heads of Allied Cabinets for several weeks and the necessity of stabilizing affairs and giving Austria a chance to work out her destiny was appreciated when this morning's session began.

While the representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium and Japan examined reports on the situation centring around Vienna, Allied military experts were engaged in formulating a report on the disarmament of Germany and studying recommendations for the execution of German engagements in this particular. It was expected yesterday that a settlement of the disarmament question would be quickly realized, but French newspapers assert that wide differences of opinion developed between Mr. Lloyd George and Premier Briand and the Allied experts.

**Time Limit.**

Decision had been reached by the experts that May 1 must be the limit of time given Germany in which to disband her military organizations and surrender to the Allies the arms which the Versailles Treaty provided should be given up. Mr. Lloyd George, it is asserted, however, declared yesterday that Germany had already done so much that there was no danger in the situation to the Allies. He is said to have asserted the Allies should also consider the situation internal and external, to Germany from Bolshevism, and that May 1 was a particular time when the Russian Soviet armies were most to be feared. He advised, therefore, that it would be better to follow the plan adopted at Spa and hear the Germans before deciding this question.

**Flatly Refused.**

Mr. Briand is said to have flatly refused to entertain this suggestion, whereupon Foreign Minister Stora of Italy, tried to bring about a compromise between the views of the British and French Premiers. He proposed the Conference should come to a general agreement in principle, decided on a programme and then ask Germany to make any observations she desired.

Neither Mr. Lloyd George nor M.

**TRY HERBS FOR STOMACH TROUBLES**

**Vancouver Lady Tells of Treatment Which Gave Her Relief**

Mrs. D. Beck, of 2120 Scotia St., Vancouver, has for years been a sufferer from acute indigestion and stomach troubles. Some time ago she was advised to stop taking drugs and try the great herbal remedy Wonder Health Restorer. The relief she experienced after taking the remedy for a few months was so great that she describes it as nothing less than wonderful. She strongly advises any person suffering from stomach troubles to at once get in touch with their druggist and start a course of this remedy.

Mrs. Debeck is only one of thousands who have found out for themselves the marvelous power of Wonder Health Restorer. It is a preparation which contains absolutely nothing but herbs. It is not a mere tonic that corrects matters for a short time only. The herbs it contains act on the blood, on the gastric juice and on other digestive fluids, to keep the system and correct improper action of the organ so as to produce permanent results. In many cases it has given relief after physicians had advised sufferers that only an operation could do any good. The remedy may now be obtained in either liquid or capsule form.

Sufferers from indigestion, either temporary or chronic or stomach troubles in any form should get a copy of "The Road to Health," the booklet which tells all about this remedy and gives the story of those who have tried it. It can be obtained in Victoria at Ivel's Pharmacy, Merryfield & Dack (all stores) Clearihue's Drug Store, Reilly's Drug Store and the Peninsula Pharmacy, in Esquimalt at Lang's Drug Store, and at most drug stores throughout the province. If your druggist can't supply you, send direct to the distributors, the W. T. McCarter-Burr Co., Ltd., 416 Hillside Avenue, Victoria. Phone 655A.

**ROYAL NAVY**

**CUT SMOKING TOBACCO**

**1/11 lb. packet 15 cents**

**1/2 lb. tin 80 cents**

**a Cut Plug Tobacco of Wonderful Value & Quality**

Briand would agree to this plan, and as a way out of the deadlock, it was decided to ask the military experts to make another report on the subject.

**Reparations.**

Mr. Lloyd George and M. Briand apparently are seeking to compose their different views regarding the German reparations before this important subject is discussed by a full session of the Council. They appear to be far apart in the project of at once fixing the amount of indemnity Germany must pay, of leaving the exact amount for future determination, and it is indicated that the problem of reparations may not come before the Council for several days.

**LIBERAL CAMPAIGN OPENS IN DELTA CONSTITUENCY**

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"I don't know what the under-world is. Mr. Bowser knows a great deal more about the underworld than I do, said the Premier naively, as he reviewed some episodes in his rival's public career.

The Premier brought the house down with his defence of the Government's policy in regard to the Peace River oil lands reserve. Quoting allegations of disloyalty made against himself during the recent election because the Government would not grant the Darcy Exploration Company concessions in the North, Premier Oliver quoted a letter from Mr. Cadman, chairman of the British parliamentary committee, which oversees the oil industry of Great Britain and its navy, to the effect that the British Government had no more interest in the Darcy Exploration Company than it had in any other British company seeking to advance British aims in oil production.

Hon. J. D. Maclean, Minister of Education; Mrs. Ralph Smith and S. Cowper of Vancouver, were the other supporting speakers. Reeve Poppy, of Langley, presided over the meeting. To-night the party will speak at Aldergrove.

**Straight Fight.**

Cloverdale, Jan. 25.—There will be a straight fight in the Delta by-election, R. A. Payne having definitely decided to not contest the constituency. Mr. Payne came to this decision yesterday afternoon after having discussed the situation with his supporters both in the Delta and in Surrey.

**MAN O' WAR GOING BACK TO KENTUCKY**

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 25.—Man o'War, World's champion racehorse, will be shipped from the Riddle farm at Berlin, Maryland, and will arrive here probably to-morrow night. Sam D. Riddle, owner of the champion, announced here.

**CHINESE FAMINE FUND INCREASES**

**Relief Work in Stricken Region Handled by Canadian**

Subscriptions are beginning to come in at the Committee Headquarters, and the prospects of a generous response on the part of the citizens of Victoria are very encouraging. Considerable literature dealing with this crying need has been prepared and will be circulated widely during the next few weeks. These will include photographs of famine scenes in the stricken provinces of North China, and an exhaustive essay by Rev. Dr. Clay on the cause, development and ravages of this most terrible of famines.

**B. C. FARMERS MAY GET PERSIAN LAMBS**

**Pelts For \$1,000 Fur Coats For Women Likely to Be Produced Here**

British Columbia may soon become the centre of the Persian Lamb industry, according to Dr. Lewis Saunders of Calgary who arrived at the Parliament Buildings to-day to confer with Ministers and Government officials.

**DRUGS FOR A COLD DOESN'T RELIEVE IT**

The average cough mixture doesn't relieve a cold—it "dopes" it or, in other words, temporarily holds it down, and bottle after bottle must be taken before a relief is effected. Meantime you must suffer, and your poor stomach be burdened by the indigestion that invariably follows continual dosing with cough syrups.

If your bowels were kept open and the eliminating organs stimulated your cold would soon disappear. Dr. Hamilton found that his Manderake and Butternut Pills were more valuable in colds than any cough relief.

While you sleep at night they even the kidneys, liver and bowels, and thereby carry off the cold and all its evil effects.

Instead of deadening the stomach like cough cures, Dr. Hamilton's Pills afford this organ the greatest assistance by giving it tone, strength and healthy action.

**PILETS FOR BRIDGE DELIVERED HERE**

**City Wants Three Shifts on Government Blasting Work**

Pilets needed in the installation of the piers of the new Johnson Street bridge were delivered in the city last night, after considerable delay. The delivery of the pilets will make it possible for workmen under the direction of City Engineer F. M. Preston to proceed with the work of installing the piers. Driving of piles upon which equipment will be mounted will commence immediately.

**TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY**

Take Grove's LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE tablets. The genuine bears the signature of E. W. Grove, Inc.

**RELIEVED BY NERVILINE.**

Anyone would marvel at my recovery, writes Mr. Leonard Lotham, a young man well known about Chatham. I had inherited a rheumatic tendency through my mother's family, and in my early days suffered with pain, with some back aching, and about three years ago I was laid up with a very distinct limp. Nerviline was brought to my notice and I rubbed it into the stiff joint four or five times a day. It dispelled every vestige of pain, reducing the swelling, took out the stiffness and gave me the full use of my limb again. I don't believe there is a pain-relieving remedy, not a single liniment that can compare with Nerviline. I hope every person with pain, with sore back, with lameness, with lumbago, with neuralgia—I do hope they will try out Nerviline which I am convinced will quickly and permanently relieve them.

**COBBLE HILL EXPANDING**

Victoria Druggist Opens a Store There.

Cobble Hill, Jan. 25.—H. E. Wallis, of the Hillside Pharmacy, Victoria, has opened a drug store here in the Hotel Block, and for a time will remain personally in charge of it. Mr. Wallis is well-known in pharmaceutical circles throughout the Province, having been connected with the drug business for the last twenty-six years. His Cobble Hill store will specialize in doctors' prescriptions and veterinary, and his establishment should prove a valued acquisition to this district.

**FINED BECAUSE GARBAGE MEN FAILED TO CALL**

J. C. Macdonald, of the Drive Yourself Auto Livery, was fined \$10 in the city police court this morning because ashes had accumulated in overflowing abundance at the rear of the garage on Courtney Street.

**Magistrate Jay stated that the minimum penalty provided by the city by-law was \$10, and while guilty, it was possible Mr. Macdonald had a legitimate complaint against the city.**

**TO GIVE LIFE STORY**

Mrs. Booth-Clibborn to Close Campaign at First Church With Interesting Lecture To-night.

**Knee Joint Stiff Three Years**

For her final meeting at the First Presbyterian Church to-night "La Marchale" has at last consented to give the story of her life, under the title "Triumphs of the Gospel on the Continent." Hon. William Jennings Bryan, Ex-Secretary of State for the U. S. A. once described the story of the life of Mrs. Booth-Clibborn as "more thrilling than fiction."

**THE LIMIT**

"Ma, teacher's awful mean." "Hush, my son, you mustn't say that." "Well, she is. What do you think? She borrowed my knife to sharpen a pencil to give me a bad mark."—Boston Transcript.

John R. McLean, a commercial traveller, was found dead in the ruins of the Glace Bay Hotel, Glace Bay, N.S. destroyed by fire in early morning.

**"COULD SHOUT FOR JOY" SAYS MANITOBA WOMAN**

**After Ten Years of Suffering Mrs. Honey Takes Tanlac and Is Restored to Health; Gains Twelve Pounds**

"Tanlac has made a well and happy woman of me after ten years of suffering," said Mrs. Florence Honey, Graysville, Manitoba.

"I suffered awfully with indigestion, almost lost my appetite, and after eating had heavy feelings like lead in the pit of my stomach, and the pains which followed were so severe I actually dreaded to eat anything. This made me so weak I could hardly do my housework, and sometimes I became so exhausted I had to

**BEAUTY SPECIALIST TELLS SECRET**

**A Beauty Specialist Gives Home-Made Recipe to Darken Gray Hair.**

Mrs. M. D. Gillespie, a well-known beauty specialist of Kansas City, recently gave out the following statement regarding gray hair:

"Anyone can prepare a simple mixture at home that will darken gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. To a half-pint of water add 1 ounce of bay rum, a small box of Oriz Compound and 1/4 ounce of glycerine.

**NOT SO BAD**

"I hear you're in your dad's office." "Yaas." "And how's the business, Bertie?" "Not so bad. I get down in time for lunch and then it's time for the matinee."—Detroit Free Press.

Diggs—The footpad said, "Money or your life!" so I gave him two shillings. Mrs. Diggs—Huh! You're always gettin' taken in, Henry!—London Idea.

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### MAYOR'S "HAND WAS CLEAR FROM OUTSET" SARGENT DECLARES

Quitting Finance Committee, Former Chairman Arraigns Mayor

Resigning from the Finance Committee, of which he was chairman last year, Alderman W. J. Sargent last night told the City Council that his demotion and the appointment of Alderman Andros as chairman was "an aftermath of the recent civic election," that, by making this appointment, Mayor Porter had openly confessed his real attitude; that, while the Mayor might have fancied that his attitude had not been understood, His Worship's hand had really been seen from the beginning; that the Mayor had appointed to the head of the city's most important committee an alderman whom he had said only a short time ago, "could not be depended upon for anything," and that, in resigning, he was endeavoring to prevent the lack of harmony which had prevailed in the past as a result of Alderman Andros' "expressions of hate."

**Offers Resignation.**  
"This document which I hold in my hand is addressed to yourself, Mr. Mayor, and is signed by me," began the alderman. "It is my resignation from the Finance Committee. Since the meeting on Thursday evening, when you named the committee, I have given the subject of my position on the Finance Committee serious consideration, and have concluded there is no other course which I can follow as a self-respecting man but to hand in my resignation."  
"During the two years Alderman Todd was Mayor I occupied a position on the Finance Committee, and in 1919 and 1920, when you, sir, were Mayor, I was the Chairman of the Committee. The work I did on the Finance Committee, generally speaking, was a very considerable pleasure to me, and I know that I have the approval of the business men for my work, to say nothing of the ratepayers generally. It was to me an opportunity to serve the ratepayers and get some results, and if I was able to do anything it was a great pleasure. The opportunity to work hard and do something is always a pleasure to me, and, generally speaking, the whole four years during which I served on the Finance Committee were intensely interesting and satisfying to me. The work, however, was not allowed to go on without its alloy during the last two years. In fact, the pleasure I had was very much broken in upon by the expressions of hate that were directed toward myself by the alder-

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### URGENT CONFERENCE ON CITY FINANCE

#### City Asks Premier to Redeem His Promise

Anxious to know exactly what financial assistance it can expect from the Provincial Government, the City Council last night decided to ask Premier Oliver to set a date for the promised conference on municipal finance prior to the opening of the Legislature.

This request was set forth in the following resolution, proposed by Alderman W. J. Sargent, seconded by Alderman A. E. Todd and adopted unanimously:

"Whereas, on the 10th of November last, representatives of this city and other municipalities of Vancouver Island and the Mainland as far east as the city of Nelson, waited upon the Hon. Mr. Oliver, Premier, with a view to securing improved financial conditions for the municipalities of the Province.

"And whereas the Hon. the Premier, replying to the delegation, stated that when the then impending elections were over the Government would be willing to hold a conference with the municipalities covering, if necessary, one, two or three days, in order to arrive at a satisfactory solution of the difficulties the municipalities complain of.

"And whereas it is most important so far as the city of Victoria is concerned, and doubtless many other municipalities that information should be had with as little delay as possible concerning the sources of revenue to be available for the year.

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the attention of the Hon. the Premier be drawn to the foregoing and he be requested to take the municipalities into conference with himself and the other members of his Government for the purposes outlined, such conference to be held previous to the session of the Legislature while there is time for the careful deliberation on the importance of the subject demands."

#### Fear Higher Rate.

Alderman Woodward, while agreeing with the motion, feared that the Government would recall that the City Council last year, while demanding more revenue, had been able to reduce its tax rate.

"But last year we found \$100,000 extra which we were able to use to help out," replied Alderman Todd. "This year, in addition, we face extra expenditures of some \$100,000. In order to have no hesitation in saying that we shall have to increase our expenditure by some \$250,000. There is no chance of the tax rate being anything like last year unless relief is secured."

### CITY INVESTIGATING CHANGE IN FORM OF CIVIC GOVERNMENT

#### To Look Into Commission and Board of Control

At the suggestion of Mayor Porter, the City Council last night decided to investigate the advisability of changing Victoria's present system of civic administration, and of establishing here either a Board of Control or a Commission Government. The civic Legislative Committee, headed by Alderman Todd and including Alderman Sargent, Dewar and Fullerton, will enquire into the matter, and consult with interested public bodies on the subject.

The Mayor wrote the following letter to the Council:

"From interviews I have had with many prominent parties, I am convinced many of our citizens think that it is desirable that some change in our present form of civic administration should take place, that either a Board of Control or a Board of Commissioners would be preferable to the present system."

"My object in writing to the Council on this subject is to obtain the opinion of this body as to what they think of the proposal and if, in their opinion, a change is desirable. I would recommend that a committee be appointed to consider this matter and to report back to the Council."

Alderman Todd suggested that the civic authorities might well take the matter up with various public bodies. The Council endorsed this idea, and it will be carried out.

### BRIDGE WORK TO BE WELL UNDER WAY THIS WEEK

#### Unless Further Delay in Delivery of Materials Occurs

Active work on the new Johnson Street bridge site will commence this week, City Engineer F. M. Ereston announced Monday. While preliminary work already has been done it has been impossible to make much headway on account of the delay in the delivery of materials. It is expected now, however, that lumber and piles, needed in the construction of the new viaduct, will be delivered here to-morrow and that by the end of the week installation of the bridge piers will have commenced.

Monday Mr. Ereston sent a diver down into the waters of the harbor at the bridge site to examine the piers which support the present railway bridge. This was necessary because in the building of the new bridge work will take place near the present bridge piers and Mr. Ereston wishes to know exactly what condition they are in. The city may insure the present bridge being responsible for it.

Mr. Ereston has succeeded in assembling practically all equipment needed to carry through his contract—the installation of the bridge sub-structure. By judicious buying he has been able to save about \$4,000 for the city. On the site of the new bridge a pile driver, two derricks, a cement mixer, an "orange peel" shovel and a large pump will be the principal items of equipment. The cement mixer which Mr. Ereston has purchased for the purpose will be mounted on a scow which the city is renting. It is capable of mixing from 200 to 300 cubic yards of cement a day. It will be equipped with buckets which are being manufactured at the city yards and each of which will carry a cubic yard. The scow on which the mixer is being mounted is so large that on it will be stored a big supply of cement.

The smaller of the two derricks to be used on the bridge site also will be mounted on a scow. This derrick has a boom sixty-eight feet in length. The other derrick, which has a boom 112 feet long, will be mounted on piles.

**Building Caissons**  
Construction of the two big caissons, which will be sunk on the bridge site to make possible the installation of piles in the mud at the former Point Ellice Shipyard. The first of the two caissons should be launched about two weeks from now. The caissons will be towed from Point Ellice to the bridge site and then stood on end, being sunk into the mud on the harbor bottom. After they have been pumped out by the big steam pump, which Mr. Ereston has purchased, workmen will be able to descend in them and drive piles through the mud to bed rock. On these piles the bridge piers will be built.

**Making Pontoons**  
Mr. Ereston is supervising the manufacture of pontoons which will be used to make the caissons float in proper position. The pontoons are being built on the city yards out of three-foot steel pipe which the city had on hand. Three pontoons will be lashed to each caisson when it takes the water. By pumping air or water into the pontoons it will be possible to control the caissons. Already some work has been done on the bridge site. A portion of the old wharf which stands south of the railway bridge on the site of the new viaduct has been partially demolished to permit the installation of equipment. When delivery of piles commences, probably to-morrow, it will be possible to install the equipment.

Mr. Ereston has been informed that the Federal Government is prepared to start blasting near the bridge site almost immediately. As it would be impossible for the city to commence installing the cement piers while blasting was proceeding, for fear that the shock of the blasts would shake the concrete, the Government is being urged to do the work immediately. If delay occurred, it might be necessary to postpone for a time, the concrete work on the bridge itself.

### EXPECTS BUILDING INCREASE IN 1921

Building Inspector Thinks Price Reduction Will Boost Activities

"The year 1921 opens with a general reduction in cost of materials, which, it is confidently expected, will give rise to greater building activity," Building Inspector James Barf told the City Council last night in his annual report. "The year 1920," he explained, "has been one of exceptionally high and uncertain prices."

According to Mr. Barf, permits for the construction of seventy-two brick buildings valued at \$818,695, and 234 frame buildings, valued at \$328,877, were issued in Victoria last year.

Permits were taken out for four-teen store and office buildings, valued at \$396,450. Twelve new public garages were erected, and 109 private garages were built for \$149,509; six one and a half story dwellings, two two-story buildings and one two and a half story dwelling. Forty-nine additions were made to dwellings, costing \$44,200. Ten factories and workshops were built for \$49,625.

Brantford Ministerial Association has placed itself on record as being strongly opposed to the importation of spirituous liquor into Ontario.

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### URGES COUNCIL TO PROTECT CITIZENS FROM TWO COMBINES

The City Council was urged last night by H. T. Humphrey, of Beach Drive, to act to the limit of its power to protect the people of Victoria from coal and plumbing combines. The Council, however, filed Mr. Humphrey's letter, which ran as follows:

"As I know you have the interest of the citizens at heart, would it not be appropriate for you to act to the limit of the power you possess, in preventing the citizens being at the mercy of two combines, coal and plumbing. Why should the prices be \$14.50 per ton when mined at our own back door, and when one living close to the mines can go with his own team and obtain a ton for \$4.60.

"Nothing is more important than to prevent the fuel supply being manipulated and controlled by the coal operators. And in regard to plumbing why should people be forced to pay 400 per cent. more for a kitchen boiler to-day than six years ago, and why have all dealers ordered to sell at one price and not any less. Nearly all raw materials are lower to-day than ever they were, and prices are coming down except coal and plumbing."

Joseph Twamley, Stratford, alias John King, Detroit, was sentenced to ten years in Kingston for stealing \$471 from the Lakeside G.T.R. station.

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Nurse Cloth Regular 60c Yard, 49c

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Women's Directors Knickers, in black only. Regular \$1.50. Special ... 98c